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It's hard to believe, but here's the book! Four years since my last one. Seems like I get these published once every four years. Guess it's like the Olympics. Will it be another four more years before my next book? (I'm joking.) Hope you'll enjoy this book.

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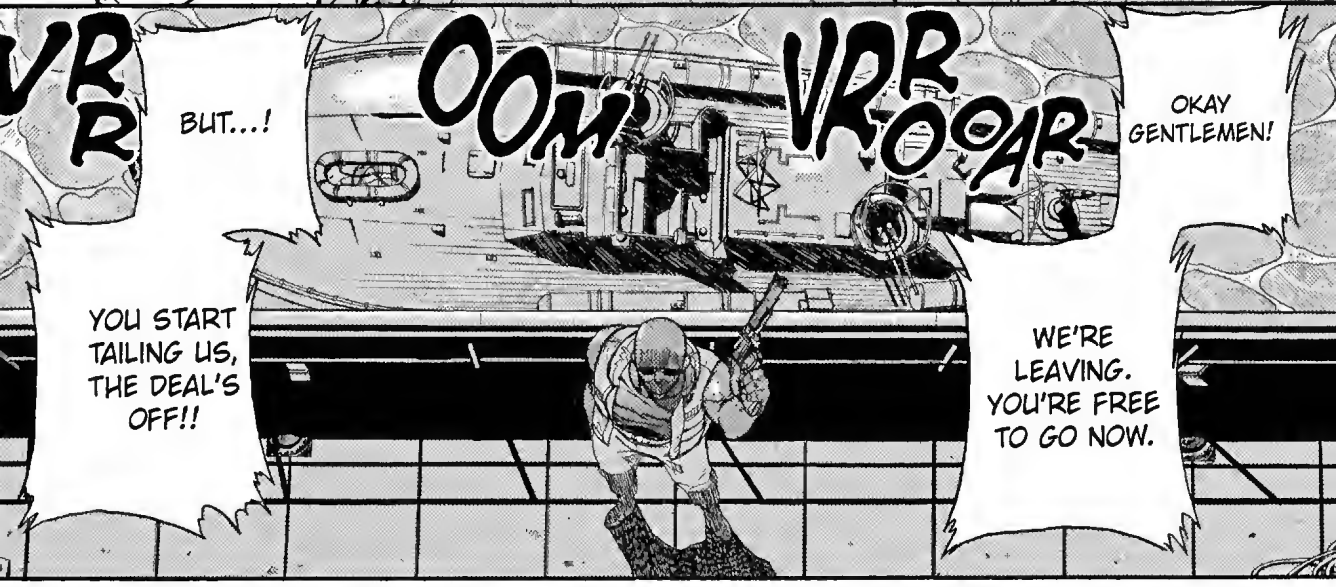
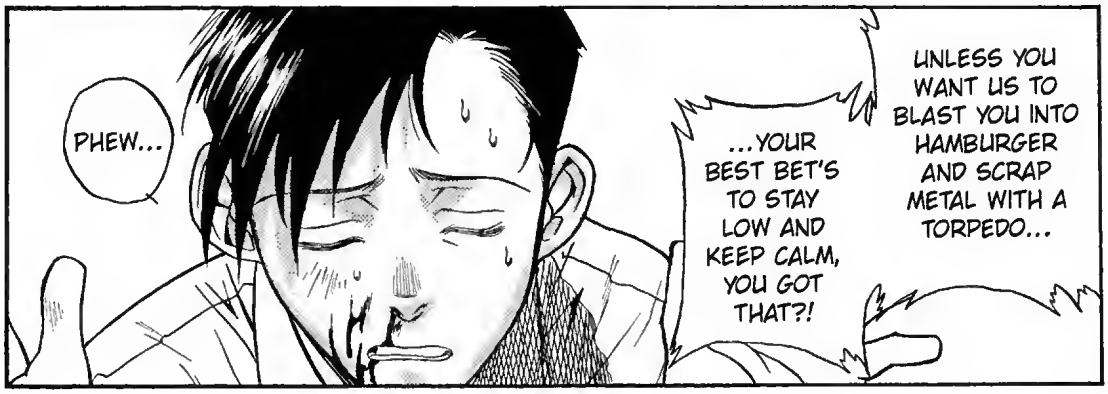
M
THAT'S ALL I KNOW!!
Y...
YEAH!
I'VE ALREADY TOLD YOU EVERY-THING.

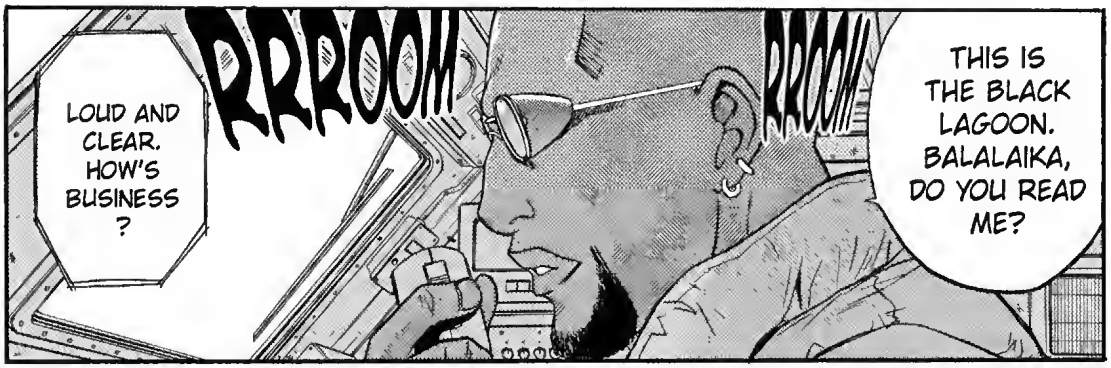
Chapter 0: Black Lagoon

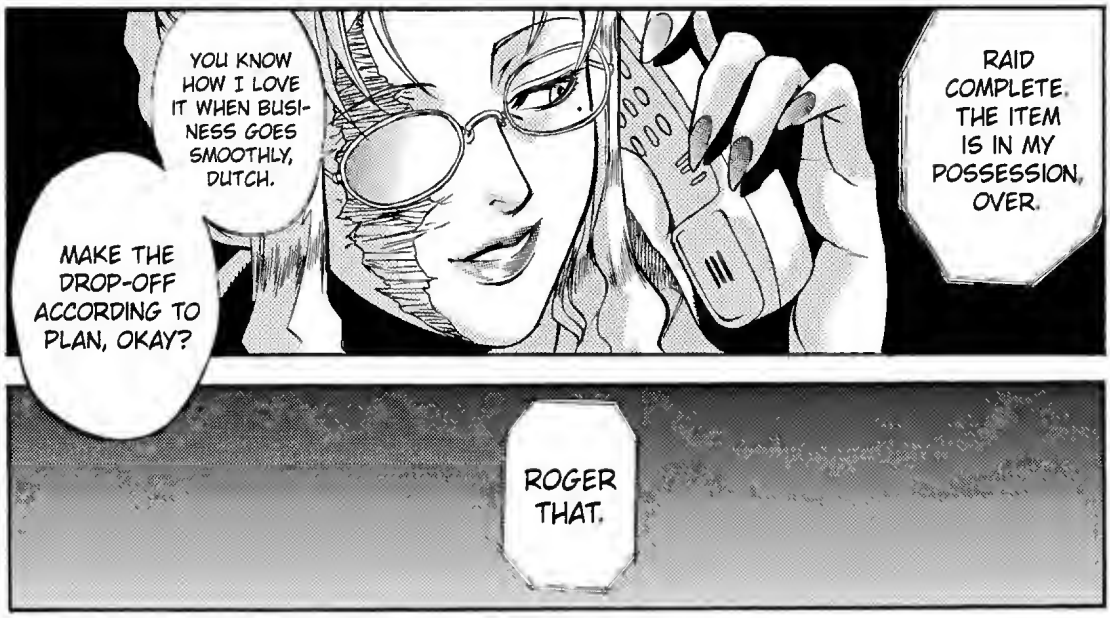
CHZZT
DUTCH ...
HEY, DUTCH.
WHAT'S UP?
IT'S A PHILIPPINE NAVY PATROL SHIP!
HOW MUCH LONGER IS THIS GONNA TAKE?
STAY COOL, BENNY BOY.
THE SCOPE'S SHOWING SOMETHING HEADING STRAIGHT FOR US FROM SUBIC BAY.
WE'RE ABOUT DONE HERE. START THE ENGINE!

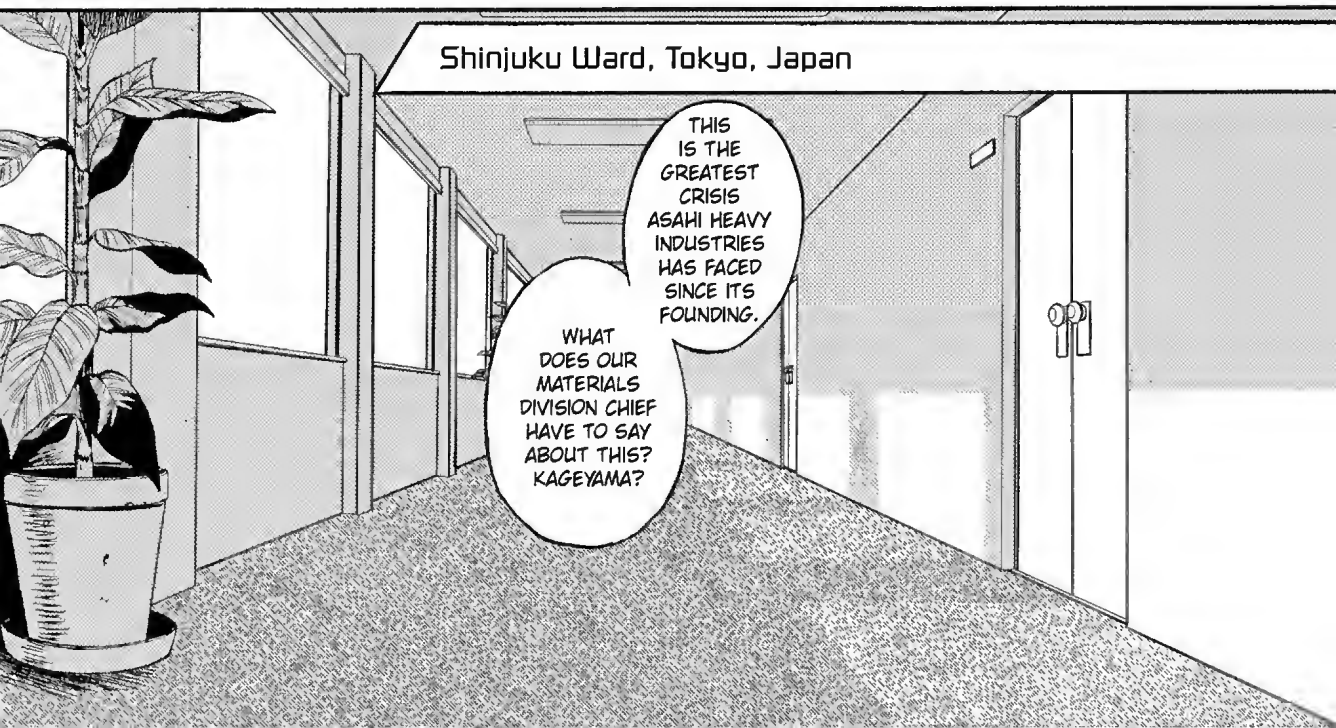

VRR
BUT...!
OOM
VRROOAR
OKAY GENTLEMEN!
YOU START TAILING US, THE DEAL'S OFF!!
WE'RE LEAVING. YOU'RE FREE TO GO NOW.


PHEW...
...YOUR BEST BET'S TO STAY LOW AND KEEP CALM, YOU GOT THAT?!
UNLESS YOU WANT US TO BLAST YOU INTO HAMBURGER AND SCRAP METAL WITH A TORPEDO...

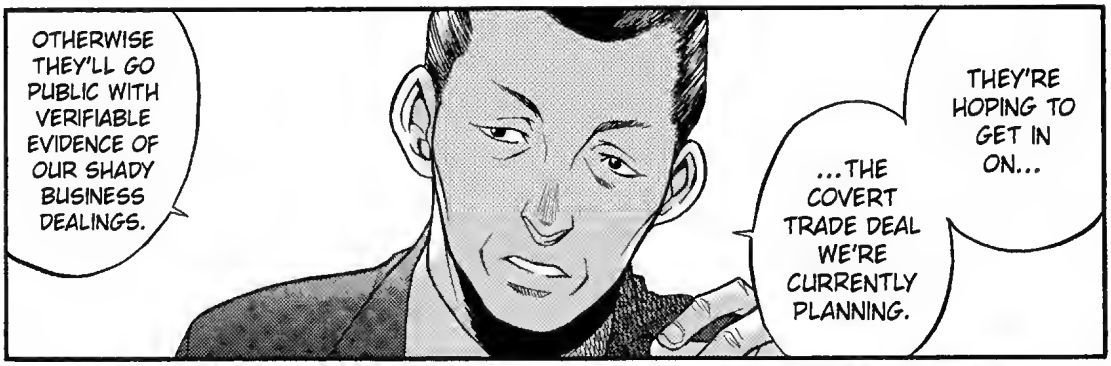
NUDGE
YOU'RE NOT OFF THE HOOK YET.
YOU'RE COMIN' WITH US, DICKHEAD.
...YOU'RE JOKING, RIGHT?
SHUT UP. AND START WALKIN'.
VROOOO

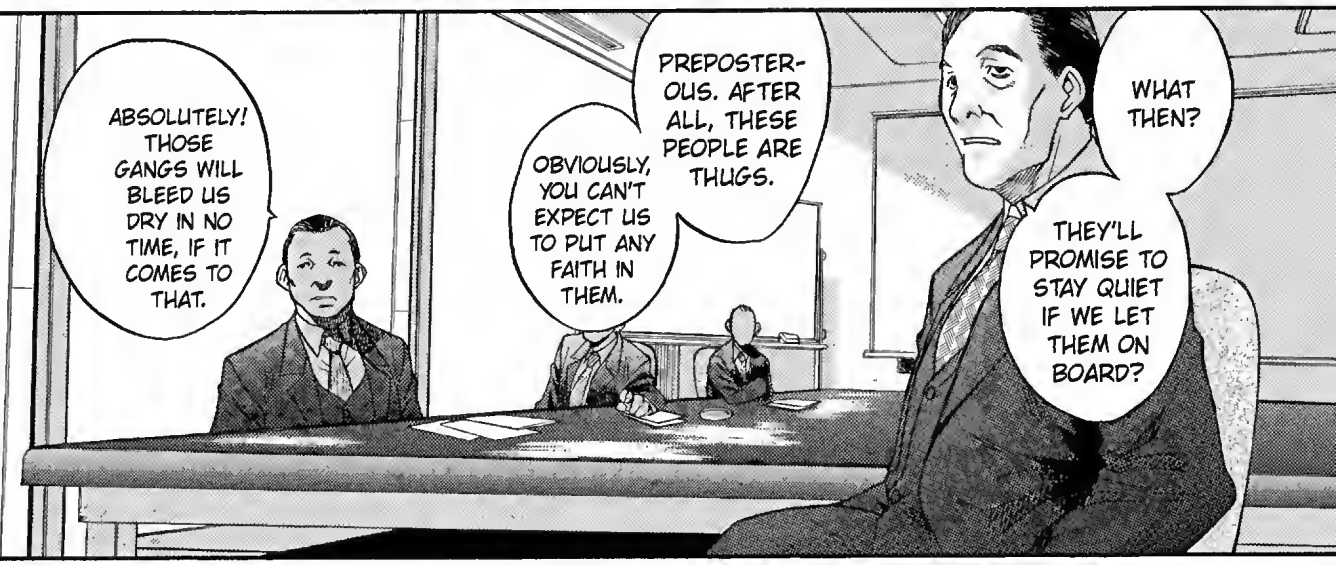

RRROOM
RROOM
LOUD AND CLEAR. HOW'S BUSINESS?
THIS IS THE BLACK LAGOON. BALALAIKA, DO YOU READ ME?


YOU KNOW HOW I LOVE IT WHEN BUSINESS GOES SMOOTHLY, DUTCH.
RAID COMPLETE. THE ITEM IS IN MY POSSESSION. OVER.
MAKE THE DROP-OFF ACCORDING TO PLAN, OKAY?
ROGER THAT.


Shinjuku Ward, Tokyo, Japan
THIS IS THE GREATEST CRISIS ASAHI HEAVY INDUSTRIES HAS FACED SINCE ITS FOUNDING.
WHAT DOES OUR MATERIALS DIVISION CHIEF HAVE TO SAY ABOUT THIS? KAGEYAMA?

Executive Conference Room 2
DEVELOPMENTS SINCE THE RAID ARE AS FOLLOWS...
A FIRM BY THE NAME OF "BOUGANVILLEA TRADING COMPANY" HAS CONTACTED US WISHING TO NEGOTIATE REGARDING THE STOLEN DISK...
FIRST TIME I'VE HEARD OF THEM.
WHAT'S THE WORD ON THIS COMPANY?
RUSSIAN MOBSTERS HAVE MOVED THE CHINESE GANGS OUT OF SOUTHEAST ASIA AND CURRENTLY CONTROL THE LOCAL BLACK MARKETS.
THIS FIRM IS THEIR FRONT.
IN MY ESTIMATION, THEY'RE INTERESTED IN OUR TRADING PARTNER'S...
...ILLEGAL SMUGGLING ROUTES INTO SOUTHEAST ASIA.
IN OTHER WORDS...
WHAT ARE THEY HOPING TO GAIN HERE, SPECIFICALLY?
MONEY?


THEY'RE HOPING TO GET IN ON...
...THE COVERT TRADE DEAL WE'RE CURRENTLY PLANNING.
OTHERWISE THEY'LL GO PUBLIC WITH VERIFIABLE EVIDENCE OF OUR SHADY BUSINESS DEALINGS.


WHAT THEN?
THEY'LL PROMISE TO STAY QUIET IF WE LET THEM ON BOARD?
PREPOSTER-OUS. AFTER ALL, THESE PEOPLE ARE THUGS.
OBVIOUSLY, YOU CAN'T EXPECT US TO PUT ANY FAITH IN THEM.
ABSOLUTELY! THOSE GANGS WILL BLEED US DRY IN NO TIME, IF IT COMES TO THAT.

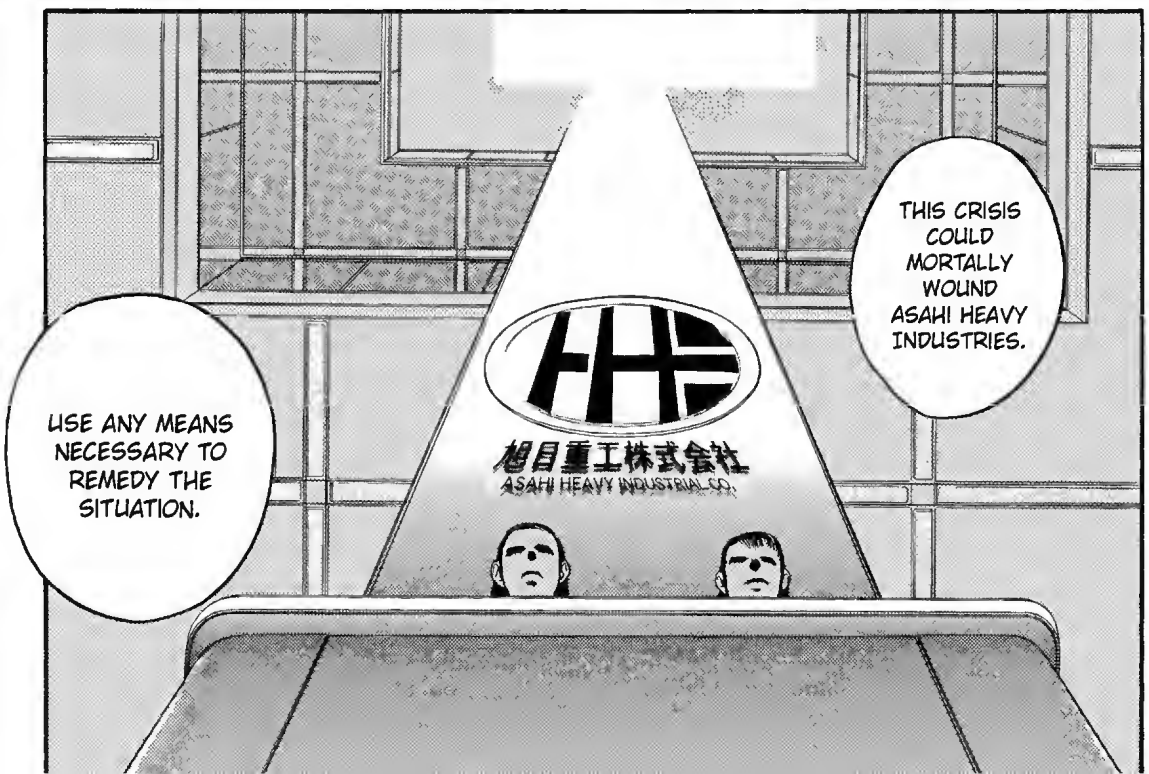
AND?
A LOCAL CHINESE EXPATRIATE HAS TIPPED US OFF REGARDING THE DISK.
GO ON.

THE RUSSIAN MAFIA HAS NOT YET SECURED THE DISK...
AT THE MOMENT, IT'S STILL IN THE HANDS OF THE PIRATES THAT RAIDED THE MELANESIA MARU.

SIR...
I'VE JUST RECEIVED A BULLE-TIN FROM JAKARTA.

WE SHOULD SEND IN SPECIALISTS IN THIS SORT OF EXTRALEGAL WORK AND RECOVER THE DISK QUICKLY.
SIR, THIS IS AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY.
WE CAN'T TRUST SOME VERBAL AGREEMENT WITH THE MAFIA.

MAKE IT LOOK AS IF WE'LL DEAL WITH THE RUSSIANS...
...AND IN THE MEANTIME RECOVER THE DISK...OR DESTROY IT.
UNDER-STOOD.
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ENTRUSTS THIS MATTER TO YOU.

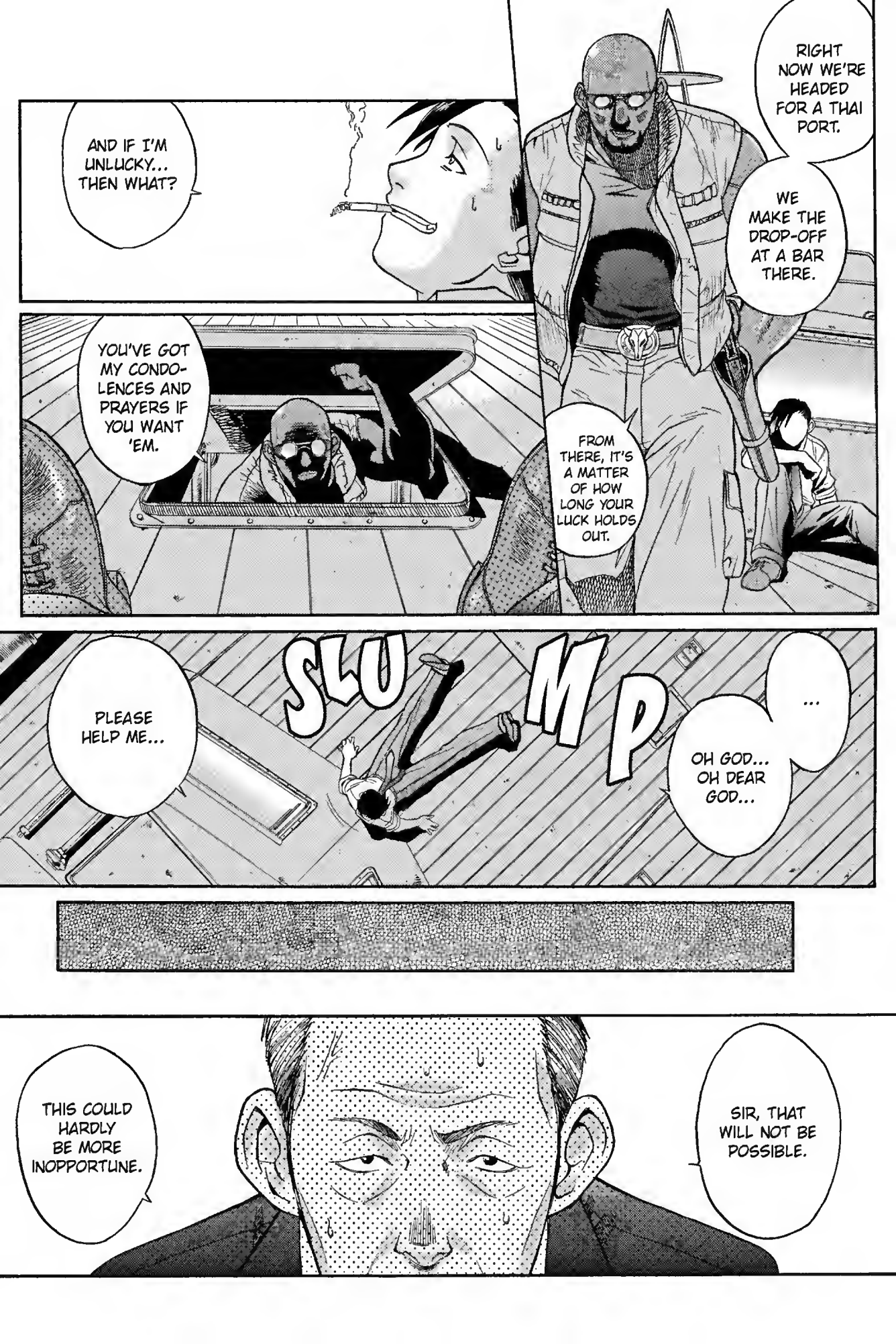

旭日重工株式会社
ASAHI HEAVY INDUSTRIAL CO.
USE ANY MEANS NECESSARY TO REMEDY THE SITUATION.
THIS CRISIS COULD MORTALLY WOUND ASAHI HEAVY INDUSTRIES.

ZHSHH
ZHSHH
ZHSHH
...SO...
WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN TO ME?
WILL MY COMPANY BAIL ME OUT?
THAT BITCH BALALAIKA IS TAKING ADVANTAGE OF US!!
DAMN IT, REVY!
WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA, KIDNAPPING A LITTLE FISH LIKE HIM? WHAT'RE YOU TRYING TO PROVE?
YOU DON'T GET IT, DUTCH! YOU JUST DON'T GET IT!!
SHUT IT, FOUR EYES!!
BAD MOVE, REVY.

TO
NK
AND JUST HOW ARE WE GONNA CUT A DEAL? WE'RE BUSY AS IT IS, DAMMIT!!
OR PERHAPS YOU'LL GROW WINGS AND FLY AROUND TO GET THIS DEAL TOGETHER!!
SO IT'S LIKE THAT, HUH?
ALL RIGHT! FINE, ASS-HOLE!!
THAT'S EASIER SAID THAN DONE.
YOU WANNA DIE TOO, BENNY?!
THINK ABOUT IT. WE'RE ONLY GETTING 20 GRAND FOR A DANGEROUS GIG LIKE THIS! ONLY 20 GRAND, DUTCH!!
WHAT'S WRONG WITH SWEETENING OUR CUT WITH SOME RANSOM MONEY?!
BLAM
BLAM
BLAM
YAAAH! STOP THAT!!
WHY DON'T I JUST BLOW HIS SORRY ASS AWAY AND THROW HIM OVER-BOARD?
BLAM
BLAM
BLAM
STOP! STOP! STOP!! STOP!!
FUCK OFF!!
REVY, GET A GRIP! YOU'RE RUINING MY BOAT!

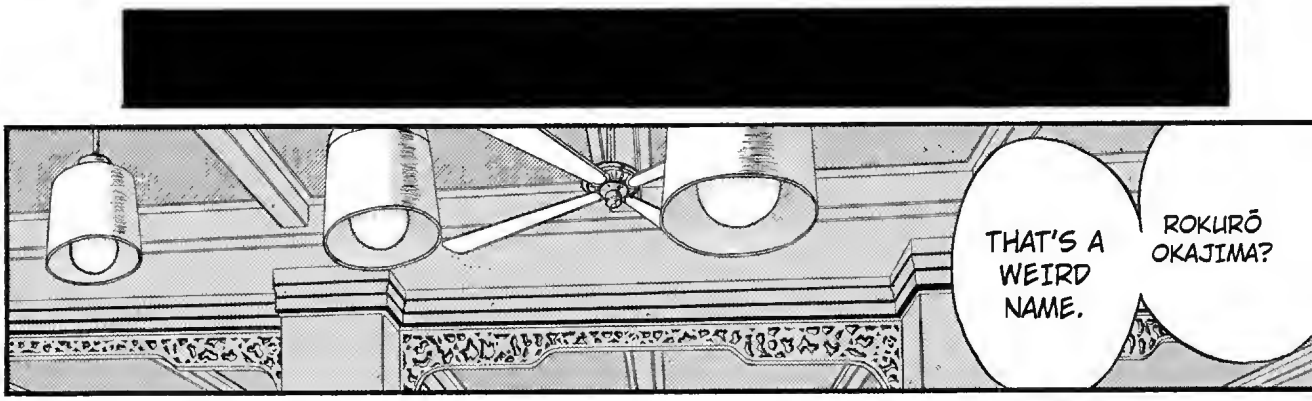
I'M GETTIN' SOME SHUTEYE 'TIL WE DOCK.
ENOUGH OF THIS SHIT!
ALL RIGHT. STAY COOL, REVY. GOT THAT?
WHAT?
DUTCH!
DUTCH ...
OKAY, ALL RIGHT. YOU CAN LET GO NOW!
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
OKAY, OKAY. SMOKE 'EM IF YOU GOT 'EM.
I DON'T KNOW HOW, BUT I'M STILL ALIVE...
I... I'M ALIVE?
HEY YOU, MR. JAPANESE.
FOR CHRIST'S SAKE...
ONLY SMOKES ON ME ARE THIS LOCAL BRAND...
HOPE YOU DON'T MIND...

POFF
WE'LL CONTACT YOUR EMPLOYER AND HAVE THEM TAKE YOU BACK.
BUT FIRST THINGS FIRST. WE GOTTA GET THAT DISK TO OUR CLIENT.
ANY-THING'S FINE. I DON'T CARE.
SO, WHAT'S TO BECOME OF ME?
HANGING ON TO THAT DISK DOESN'T DO US ANY GOOD.
AIN'T WORTH A DAMN UNLESS YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO WITH IT.
WE'RE JUST COURIERS. THAT'S ALL.
YOUR CLIENT?
WHAT? YOU'RE NOT KEEPING IT?
DON'T KNOW, DON'T WANNA KNOW.
SNOOPS GET THEM-SELVES KILLED QUICKLY IN MY LINE OF WORK.
THEN YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT'S ON IT EITHER?


AND IF I'M UNLUCKY... THEN WHAT?
RIGHT NOW WE'RE HEADED FOR A THAI PORT.
WE MAKE THE DROP-OFF AT A BAR THERE.
YOU'VE GOT MY CONDO-LENCES AND PRAYERS IF YOU WANT 'EM.
FROM THERE, IT'S A MATTER OF HOW LONG YOUR LUCK HOLDS OUT.
SLU
M
P
PLEASE HELP ME...
...
OH GOD... OH DEAR GOD...
THIS COULD HARDLY BE MORE INOPPORTUNE.
SIR, THAT WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE.

DAMN, THIS CHANGES EVERY-THING! TO THINK THEY'RE HOLDING ONE OF OUR EMPLOYEES HOSTAGE!!
WHY WASN'T THIS INFORMATION RELAYED TO ME IN A MORE TIMELY MANNER?!
WELL, FUJIWARA ?!
MY DEEPEST APOLOGIES, SIR!
THIS IS DUE TO MY SUPERVISORY INEPTITUDE.
I WAS JUST TOLD OF THIS DEVELOPMENT MOMENTS AGO...
THERE ARE ONLY SO MANY EMPLOYEES WE CAN TRUST...
...WITH DELICATE AFFAIRS SUCH AS THIS. OUR MEANS OF CONFIRMING THIS INFORMA-TION ARE EXTREMELY LIMITED.
I'VE ALREADY STATED THEM, SIR.
ENOUGH.
KAGEYAMA, WHAT ARE YOUR THOUGHTS?
THIS CORPORATION FACES A REAL AND IMMEDIATE CRISIS.
WE HAVE A LIMITED WINDOW OF OPPORTUNITY TO SALVAGE THE SITUATION.
AND THE MERCENARIES OF THE E.O. CORPORATION THAT WE'VE SUBCONTRACTED ARE ALREADY ON THE MOVE.

WELL THERE YOU HAVE IT. I CERTAINLY SYMPATHIZE WITH HIS FATE.
...UH, WHAT WAS HIS NAME AGAIN?
OKAJIMA, SIR.
ROKURŌ OKAJIMA.


ROKURŌ OKAJIMA?
THAT'S A WEIRD NAME.

SORRY 'BOUT THAT.
GIVING PEOPLE STATIC IS JUST SECOND NATURE TO ME.
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.
BUT DEAR GOD...

HEY, YOU THINK I DON'T KNOW?
LEAVE ME ALONE, WILL YOU?

WHOCK
KRASH
WHAT A TERRIBLE PLACE.
IT'S LIKE THE LAST BAR ON EARTH.
HEY, I LIKE THAT.
THIS BAR WAS OPENED BY AN EX-SOUTH VIETNAMESE SOLDIER...
AT FIRST IT WAS A SAFE HIDEOUT FOR ARMY DESERTERS, BUT BEFORE LONG, ALL SORTS OF DRIFTERS STARTED CONGREGATING HERE.
HOOKERS, JUNKIES, MERCS, CONTRACT KILLERS...
THE WORST KINDS OF OUTLAWS YOU CAN IMAGINE.
NOT YOUR KIND OF PLACE?
EH, ROCK?

BESIDES, I'M JUST NOT GOOD WITH CONFRONTATIONS.
I'LL TAKE A NIGHT OUT AT A JAPANESE DINING-BAR ANY DAY OVER THIS PLACE.
MR. DUTCH !!
WHAT DID YOU JUST CALL ME?
ROCK, FOR ROKURŌ.
COOL NICK-NAME, HUH?
YOU LOOK THE PART.
TOK
BLUE RIBBON
BENNY...
...I GOTTA MAKE A CALL.
HE HAS A KNACK FOR GIVING PEOPLE NICKNAMES.
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.
ROCK...?
BUT, TRYING TO FIGURE HIM OUT IS A WASTE OF TIME.
HE'S A REAL CHARACTER.
I'VE BEEN WITH HIM TWO YEARS AND ALL I CAN TELL YOU IS THAT HE'S TOUGH, INTELLIGENT, AND UNIQUE.

I WORKED AT A UNIVERSITY IN FLORIDA.
BUT PLAYING WITH FIRE GOT BOTH THE MOB AND THE FBI PISSED OFF AT ME.
AND THEN ...
WHAT DID YOU DO BEFORE?
YOU SEEM TO BE RATHER ILL-FIT FOR THIS CROWD YOURSELF.
THANK YOU.
KACHAK
...BEFORE THEY STUFFED HIM INTO A SUITCASE AND USED HIM AS A BOAT ANCHOR...
...I SAVED HIS SORRY ASS.
♬ HERE'S ONE FOR YOU AND ONE FOR ME. ♬
AS THEY SAY...
WE'RE HERE TO DRINK, RIGHT? LET'S BULLSHIT ABOUT SOMETHING MORE INTERESTING.
WHADDAYA SAY, MR. JAPANESE?
WORTHLESS BEDTIME STORIES, BENNY. GIVE IT A REST.
YOU AREN'T OLD ENOUGH TO GET NOSTALGIC FOR YOUR SHITTY PAST ANYWAY.
THUNK

KLNK
BEER'S LIKE PISS WATER. GIVES ME NO BUZZ AT ALL.
THIS IS WHAT YOU DRINK IF YOU'RE A REAL MAN.
THOK
GLUG
GLUG
AND THIS IS...?
BUT YOU MIGHT AS WELL DROP THOSE PANTS AND PUT ON A SKIRT!
I'M NOT SAYIN' YOU COULDN'T DO IT...
SHWFF
OF COURSE, IF YOU'RE SOME NO-LOAD WIMP THAT CAN'T KEEP UP WITH A GIRL...
CHUG
CHUG
CHUG
TIE RIBBONS IN YOUR HAIR AND GO TO A DANCE, EH?

THUNK
GRIN
HEY, BARTENDER.
I THOUGHT YOU DIDN'T LIKE CONFRONTATIONS?
WUMP
BRING US ALL THE BACARDI YOU GOT!
WOO
GO FOR IT!
YEAH
YEEHAAA
I CAN HEAR YOU FINE. GO ON.
HELLO? HELLO?
QUITE A COMMOTION OVER THERE. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

I WANT TO CHANGE THE DROP-OFF POINT TO PALAWAN INSTEAD.
SOMETHING BOTHERED ME ABOUT HOW ASAHI HEAVY INDUSTRIES WAS HANDLING THIS.
SO...
I DID SOME DIGGING AND IT TURNS OUT WE HAVE A CHINESE RAT ON OUR HANDS. I'M HAVING A NICE CHAT WITH HIM RIGHT NOW.
WHAT?
WHO'S BEHIND THIS?
JUST A MOMENT.
YOUR BOSS'S NAME... SPEAK UP.
I'VE... I'VE ALREADY TOLD YOU WHAT YOU WANT!
GRIND
HE LEAKED THE INFO TO ME SO HE COULD TAKE YOU DOWN!
STOMP
URRRGH... STOP...
S...S... SUN YEE ON! ELDER BROTHER CHANG OF THE SUN YEE ON!
THAT'S WHY THE JAPANESE SENT A HIT SQUAD TO THAILAND, OKAY?
PLEASE, PLEASE! STOP, OKAY, STOP, PLEASE!!
AAARRRGH!
DID YOU CATCH THAT?
YEAH. THIS IS BAD.

HOW MANY SOLDIERS DID THEY SEND AND FROM WHERE? SPEAK UP.
QUICKLY NOW, WE'RE VERY BUSY.
URGH ...
UH, SOME COMPANY, SOME MERCENARY OUTFIT CALLED EXTRA ORDER! I DON'T KNOW HOW MANY THEY SENT!
SHIT, SUCKS TO BE HIM.
Да Капитан.
ZCHK
Убить. Бопьшеза Вопрос.
I COULDN'T AGREE WITH YOU MORE.
SEEMS THOSE IDIOTS INSIST ON MAKING US TANGO WITH THEM.
KBAM
KBLAM
BLAM
BLAM
E.O. HAS A LOT OF COMBAT EXPERIENCED TROOPS ON THEIR PAYROLL.
MAKE SURE TO WATCH YOUR BACK.
I WILL.
EVERYONE IN POSITION?
1991~1992
I KNOW I'M GOING TO HEAVEN

KG
HK
TO
EAVEN
1981 ~ 1992
LET'S DO IT.
YEEAH! YOU FUCKERS HAVING A GOOD TIME?
BAM
KCHUNK
NG
FR
GRENA

I GOT A LITTLE PRESENT FOR YA!
HERE YA GO!
SH
KT

BRATATATATATATA
IT'S PARTY TIME, MOTHER-FUCKERS!!
ANYBODY RUNS, REAM 'EM A NEW ONE!
BRAKKA
BRAKKA
NO ONE GETS OUT OF HERE ALIVE!
BRRRRP
BRRRRP
ZHT
ZHT
ZHT
BA
KA

SPAK
SPAK
SPAK
CHUN
BLAM
BLAM
BLAM
AIEEE!!
TAKKA
TA
K
KA
REVY! THEY'RE YOUR FRIENDS, RIGHT? DO SOMETHING!
NEVER SEEN 'EM BEFORE, BAO.
SHIT!
THEY'RE COMIN' IN FAST! REVY!!
YOU STILL IN ONE PIECE?
SLRP
STILL BREATHIN'.
CHATTER
BENNY?
AMAZINGLY ENOUGH, STILL TICKING.

HEEELP !!
I GRADUATED FROM A RESPECTABLE COLLEGE! I LANDED A JOB AT A GOOD COMPANY! WHY THIS? THIS ISN'T RIGHT!!
I'VE HAD ENOUGH! I CAN'T TAKE IT ANY-MORE!!
BDOOM
ROCK ?!
SHCHIK
QUIT WHINING, DIPSHIT.
LIFE'S A RIDE. MIGHT AS WELL HAVE SOME FUN...
KA GH AK
...OR YOU'LL MISS OUT, MR. JAPANESE.
SHC IHK
CHAK
TIME TO SHOW 'EM WHY THEY CALL YOU...
...TWO HAND!!
KABLAM
REVY !!

OH YEAH!
CHAK
YA
BANG
BLAM
BLAM
BLAM
BLAM
KILL HER !!
KABLAM
BLAM
BLAM
BLAM

VOOM
BHAM
THKKR
AASHH
HUP!
BRRRRT
BRRRRT
BLAM
BLAM
BRATA
TATA

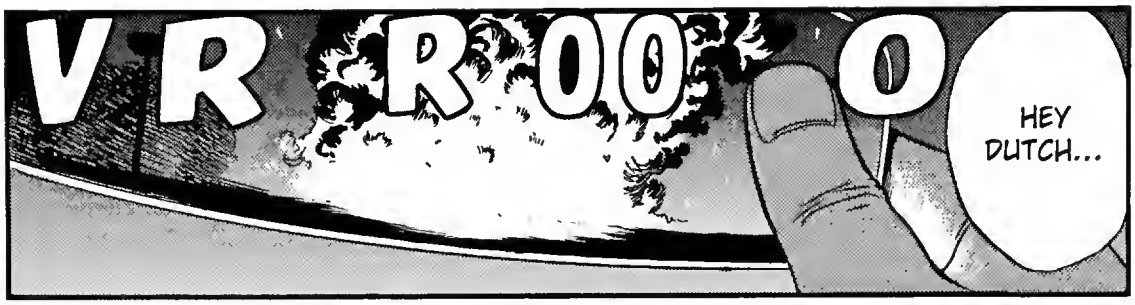
THAT'S IT, REVY. GET OUT OF MY BAR!
HOW MANY TIMES HAVE YOU TRASHED MY PLACE ?!
SHACHAK
HMM...
GUESS THIS IS THE THIRD TIME?
KLAK
YOU'RE PAYING FOR ALL THE DAMAGE, YOU GOT THAT?
NOT MY PROB.
ASK DUTCH.
KACHAK
YOU GET ME SOME MONEY...
KA-BLAM
...OR ELSE YOU'LL NEVER SET FOOT IN HERE AGAIN!
FOOM
IF YOU DO, I'LL WELD YOUR ASSHOLE SHUT AND BORE A NEW ONE IN YOUR HEAD AS A REPLACEMENT!
GOT IT.
KACHAK!

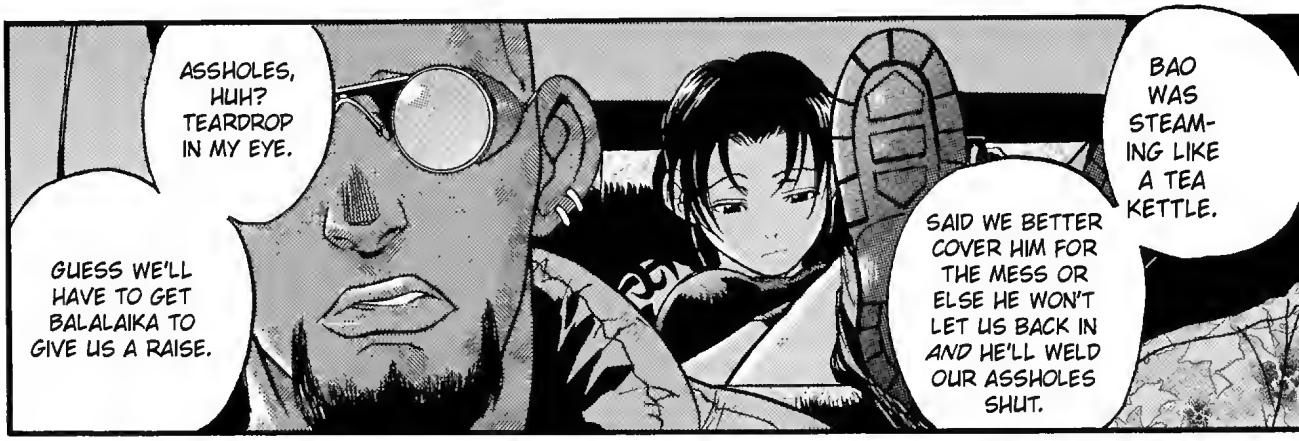
KBANG
FWI
SH
KBANG
DEAD AS FUCKIN' FRIED CHICKEN, BUSTER!
BLAM
BLAM
BLAM
BL
AM
SHE'S SMILING ...!
...WHAT THE...
SHE'S...

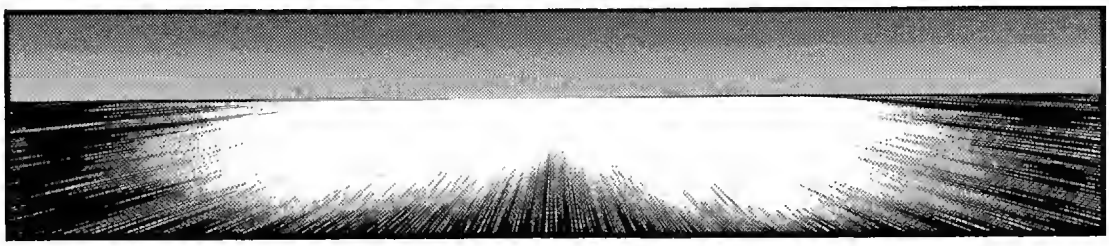
AAAGH!
BRAKK!
BRAKK!
KACHOK
BOOM
ROCK!!
SORRY ABOUT THIS. SUDDEN CHANGE IN PLANS.
SEEMS THERE'S NO TIME TO MAKE A SWAP FOR YOU.
WHAT A MINUTE! WHAT...
WHAT ABOUT ME?!
FRANKLY, YOU WEREN'T IN THE PLANS ORIGINALLY.
WHY DON'T WE JUST SPLIT UP HERE?
ARE YOU INSANE?! I'LL DIE HERE!! TAKE ME WITH YOU! TAKE ME WITH YOU, GODDAMN IT!!
KTNK
...OH, WHAT THE HELL.
JUST DON'T GET IN OUR WAY. GOT IT, ROCK?!
WHO
OSH
REVY! CLEAR A PATH FOR US, BABY!

BLAM
OH YEAH! COME ON 'N DANCE!
KABABAM
BLAM
BLAM
BANG
BANG
GRAB
BKAM
RUN!!
SKREEEEEECH
BENNY, GET THE CAR!!

THUP
MOVE IT! LET'S GO!
TING!
JUST LEAVING THOSE WAR LOVING FREAKS...
...SOME EASTER EGGS.
REVY, WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOIN'?!
HEY!
FWISH
BAW
HOOM


VRROOO
HEY DUTCH...


ASSHOLES, HUH? TEARDROP IN MY EYE.
GUESS WE'LL HAVE TO GET BALALAIKA TO GIVE US A RAISE.
SAID WE BETTER COVER HIM FOR THE MESS OR ELSE HE WON'T LET US BACK IN AND HE'LL WELD OUR ASSHOLES SHUT.
BAO WAS STEAMING LIKE A TEA KETTLE.



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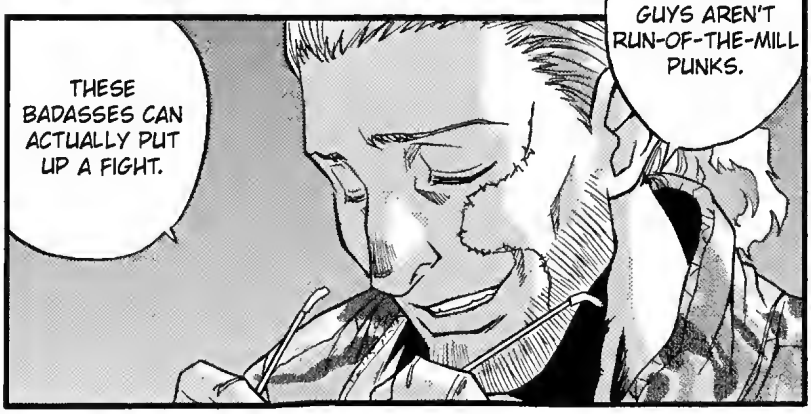
...THESE GUYS AREN'T RUN-OF-THE-MILL PUNKS.
THESE BADASSES CAN ACTUALLY PUT UP A FIGHT.

CAPTAIN.
WE'VE GOT 16 DEAD AND 8 SERIOUSLY INJURED!
I'M VERY SORRY SIR. WE THOUGHT THEY WERE JUST SOME PUNKS AND LET OUR GUARD DOWN.

SO SLOW AND AWKWARD... NO CHALLENGE AT ALL.
BUT THIS CREW... THESE GUYS HAVE GUTS.
THAT LAST GIG IN LIBERIA WAS THE PITS.
ONLY PEOPLE WE COULD SHOOT AT WERE OLD MEN AND SNOT-NOSED BRATS.
OH YES...
I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR SOMETHING LIKE THIS.
SHAA
SHAA
SHAA
NO PROBLEMS DOWN HERE, DUTCH.
...WELL, WE'VE FINALLY MADE IT THROUGH THE THAI NAVY SECURITY ZONE.
IF WE CAN MAINTAIN THIS SPEED...
...WE'LL REACH THE PALAWAN COAST BY DAWN.
THANK GOD.

IF WE CAN'T CUT A DEAL WITH THEM, THEN WE'LL JUST DROP YOU OFF ON IN MALAYSIA SOMEPLACE.
OKAY, ROCK.
BENNY IS TRYING TO CONTACT YOUR COMPANY RIGHT NOW.
YOU DRAG ME AROUND ALL OVER THE PLACE...
...AND THEN THIS?!
WHAT THE HELL? ALL THIS, AND NOW YOU'RE JUST GONNA ABANDON ME?!
LOTSA BANDITS IN THE AREA BUT AT LEAST YOU'LL HAVE YOUR LIFE.
OKAY?
FOR GOD'S SAKE, AT LEAST TAKE ME SOMEPLACE SAFE!!
C'MON!!
I'M THROUGH WITH PIRATES, SHOOT-OUTS, AND GETTING IN TROUBLE!
HUH?
GANK
I'VE HAD ENOUGH OF YOUR SHIT.
HEY, DUTCH?
AND ANOTHER THING... WE'RE COURIERS...NO MORE, NO LESS.
BUT HEY, WE GOTTA MAKE A LIVING, SO EVERY ONCE IN A WHILE WE BREAK THE LAW. THAT'S IT... YOU GOT IT?
FIRST YOU'RE WHINING AND CRYING, AND NOW YOU WANT US TO BE YOUR FUCKIN' TAXI SERVICE?
KCHAK
YOU KNOW, I WOULDN'T MIND SHOWING YOU THE COLOR OF YOUR BRAINS, RIGHT HERE, RIGHT NOW.

ROCK, DO YOU KNOW A MR. KAGEYAMA?
IS HE YOUR BOSS?
HOW'S IT GOING?
I JUST GOT THROUGH.
THE CONNECTION'S SECURE. I USED ASSAULT DIALER TO GET THE NUMBER.
TH
UMP
KICK
SIR, IT'S ME, OKAJIMA!!
I'M...
I'M TERRIBLY SORRY ABOUT THE DISK, SIR...
OH YES, OKAJIMA. ABOUT THAT DISK...
UH, SIR?
I DON'T FOLLOW YOU... SIR...?
...THERE NEVER WAS ANY DISK AND YOU'RE ALREADY DEAD.
UNDER-STAND?
ASAHI IS ON THE BRINK OF BANK-RUPTCY. TO SAVE THE COMPANY, WE SUBMITTED A PROPOSAL TO A CERTAIN NATION REGARDING NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY.
BUT THE U.N. BANS ALL SUCH TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER TO THIS NATION. THAT DISK CONTAINED OUR DETAILED PROPOSAL PLANS.
NOW OKAJIMA...FOR THE GOOD OF THE 50-THOUSAND-PLUS WORKFORCE OF ASAHI HEAVY INDUSTRIES...
ACCEPT YOUR FATE WITH DIGNITY AND PERISH IN THE SOUTH CHINA SEA FOR US.

S-SIR... WHAT?!
I'M SORRY OKAJIMA.
SPECIALISTS IN EXTRA-LEGAL AFFAIRS SHOULD BE THERE ANY MOMENT NOW.
ALL SENIOR MANAGEMENT, INCLUDING THE C.E.O., WILL ATTEND YOUR FUNERAL.
GRGR GR GR
GRG
VR
FULL COM-PLEMENT, CAPTAIN!
EE EE EE E EEE
WHAT'S OUR WEAPON LOADOUT?
THE JAPANESE ARE PAYING FOR EVERYTHING, INCLUDING MISSILES. PRETORIA HQ IS LETTING US HANDLE THIS OUR WAY...NO STRINGS ATTACHED!

GRGR
GR
ALL HANDS, BE AD-VISED...
MAIN CARGO-HOLD DOORS OPENING. ALL HANDS...
GRGRGR
KEEEEE
OPEN CARGO-HOLD NUMBER ONE!
OPENING HOLD NUMBER ONE.

NOW OPENING MAIN HATCH.
GR
GR
GRGR
...BE ADVISED.
AAGH...
HUHH...!
GACK...
BLARRGH
SHIT! HE JUST PUKED ON THE FLOOR!
MAN, THIS GUY'S ONE SORRY SACK OF SHIT.
FOR CHRIST'S SAKE...
GET HIM OUTSIDE FOR SOME FRESH AIR.
CRAP, GUESS WE CAN KISS THAT EXTRA BONUS GOODBYE.
RAGH
URR
WOW, THEY CUT YOU OFF JUST LIKE THAT, HUH?
HEY, DON'T THINK I DON'T FEEL SORRY FOR YOU, ALL RIGHT?

BUT C'MON ...
WAS IT REALLY SO BIG A SHOCK THAT YOU HAD TO HURL?
LEAVE ME ALONE.
JESUS, THEY'RE ONLY YOUR EMPLOYER, RIGHT? FUCK, YOU'D THINK...
REVY...
ARE YOU ON DECK?
YEAH, WHAT'S UP?
THERE'S SOMETHING HEADED STRAIGHT FOR US AT HIGH SPEED.
IT'S NOT A SHIP. IT'S TOO FAST.
SHOULD BE ON OUR 3 O'CLOCK.
DO YOU SEE ANY-THING?
VUP
VUP
VUP
VUP

WHUP
WHUP
WHUP
A GUN-SHIP?!

THP THP THP
TARGET CONFIRMED!!
ENGAGE! ENGAGE!
KC HNK
A GOD-DAMNED ATTACK HELICOPTER ?!
BENNY !!
KLK KLK KLK KLK
FLAK MG'S... AUTO-LOCK MODE... ENGAGED!

VHO
ROCK, GET DOWN !!
VASHOO
VSHOO
VSHOO VSHOO
KC
HK
SESSH
SESSH
SESSH

BAM
DAT
DAT
DAT
REVY! REVY, LISTEN UP!
WHAT? I CAN'T HEAR YOU!!
YARGH!
SPLASH
SPLASH
THUPP
THUPP
THUPP
THEY'RE RUNNING. STAY ON THEIR TAIL!
WE'RE IN DEEP SHIT!
GET THE GEPARD ANTITANK RIFLE, DAMMIT!
KLCHAK
YEAH, I NOTICED! GODDAMN IT!!
BA
KOM

SHIT!
SPAK
SPAK
SHAKAK
DO SOMETHING! RAMBO SHOT ONE OF THOSE DOWN WITH A BOW AND ARROW!
BLOW ME!
OH!
SPAK
SPAK
SPAK
SPAK
SPSSH
ZBSSH
WHY DON'T YOU TRY IT, FUCKER!!
SPSSH
WHAT THE ...!
ARE YOU NUTS?! THEY'LL SHOOT US FULL OF HOLES!
I CAN'T GET A CLEAR SHOT!!
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOIN', ROCK?!
HOLD HER STEADY, DUTCH!

I'LL GET OFF HERE, THANKS.
SO, GOOD-BYE.
I'VE HAD ENOUGH, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
THUP
THUP
AAAGH!
THUP
STRU
SURE, I'LL GIVE YOU A HAND YOU LIMP-DICKED WEASEL!
YOU GOTTA PAY FOR THAT LIFE-JACKET!!
GG
LE
LET GO OF ME, YOU MONEY GRUBBING LUNATIC!
BEHIND YOU! BEHIND YOU!!
AAAAGH!
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I SAID, INCREASE OUR ALTITUDE AND FLY TOWARD THE PALAWAN STRAITS.
GIVE ME SOME ALTITUDE.
SIR?
VREE VREE VREE VREE VREE
WHUP WHUP WHUP
SIR, IF I MAY...
WE COULD TURN THEM INTO MINCEMEAT RIGHT NOW.
THOSE SORRY SCUMBAGS TOOK THE BAIT-HOOK, LINE, AND SINKER.
C'MON MAYER... YOU'RE NOT SOME ROOKIE. YOU SHOULD KNOW BETTER.
LET'S GET OURSELVES A GOOD VIEW...
...AND WATCH 'EM CRY AND PISS THEIR PANTS IN TERROR. THAT'S WORTH A FEW GOOD LAUGHS, RIGHT?
RAW OR WELL-DONE, WE CAN COOK THEIR ASSES ANYWAY WE WANT.

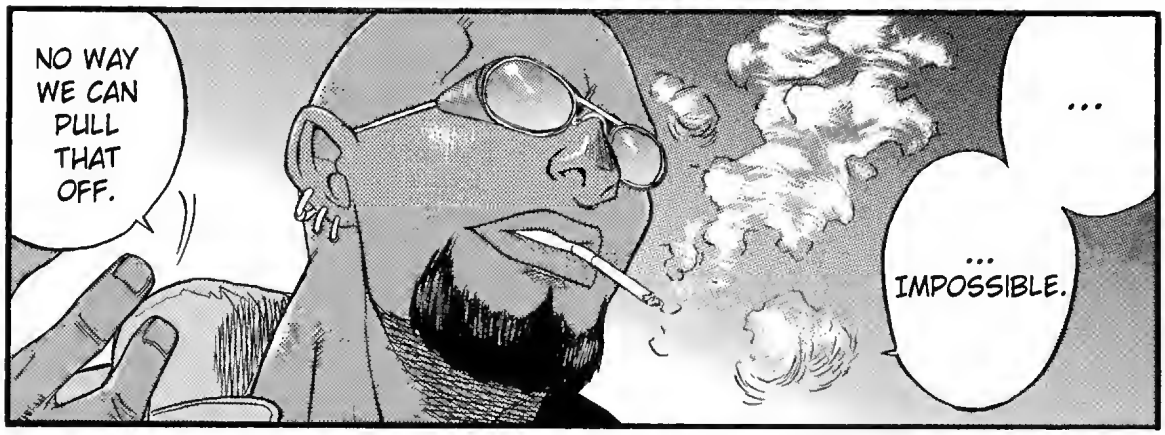
WHAT THE HELL...
THEY DISAPPEARED.
HEY...
HEY!
WHAT?
THEY STOPPED ATTACKING...
SOME-THING'S NOT RIGHT, DUTCH.
THOSE GUYS COULD HAVE TURNED US INTO SWISS CHEESE PRETTY EASILY.
WHY'D THEY PULL BACK?
I AGREE.
SOMETHING'S WRONG.
HEY DUTCH!!
GACHUNG
WHAT'S GOING ON? WHERE'D THEY DISAPPEAR TO?
YEAH, THERE'S SOMETHING...
THERE'S GOT TO BE SOME-THING WE'RE MISSING...

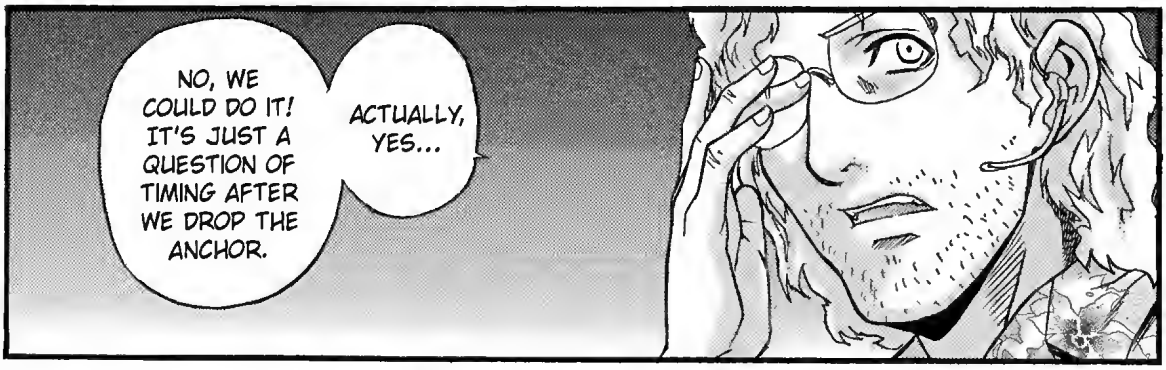
DUTCH, TAKE A LOOK AT THE CHARTS!
GRIND
AH, DAMN! I GOT IT!
WHAT WE THOUGHT WAS AN ESCAPE ROUTE...
...IS A STINKING TRAP!!
VV
...THE CHANNEL?!
YEAH, THE FREAKIN' CHANNEL!
RR
VV
THIS AREA IS FULL OF REEFS LEADING ALL THE WAY UP TO PALAWAN...
WHICH MEANS WE HAVE NO ROOM TO RUN!!

I SAID...
COOL IT.
JUST HOLD ON HERE...
SHAKE
SHAKE
THAT MEANS WE'RE GONNA DIE!
I KNOW... CONTACT THE MALAYSIAN POLICE! IT MIGHT MEAN TROUBLE, BUT AT LEAST WE'LL BE-
COOL IT, ROCK.
HEY NOW.
THUNK
GETTING ALL WORKED UP ISN'T GOING TO MAKE THINGS ANY BETTER.
YOU GOTTA USE YOUR HEAD IF YOU WANNA STAY ALIVE.
ASH
IF THEY GET HIT, THEY'LL BLOW US TO THE MOON.
WELL THAT'S WHAT YOU GET FOR KEEPING THEM LOADED, DAMN IT!
FUCKING WONDERFUL. HOW'S THE DAMAGE TO THE BOAT?
NOTHING SERIOUS FOR NOW. I'M MORE WORRIED ABOUT OUR LOAD OF TORPEDOES...
ANY CHANCE THAT THEY RAN LOW ON FUEL?
E.O. SOLDIERS MAY BE ASS-HOLES, BUT THEY'RE NOT THAT STUPID.

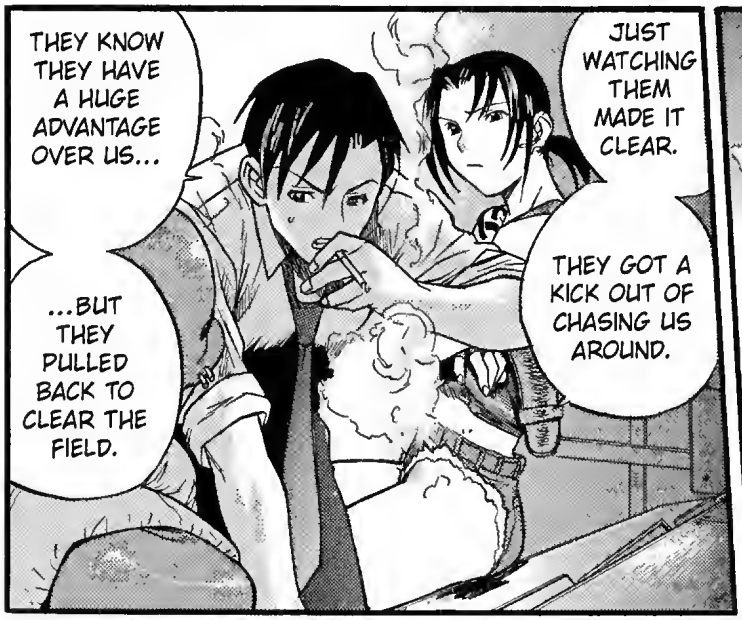
DUTCH...
THE LAYOUT OF THE REEF CHANNEL EXITS...
ARE YOU FAMILIAR WITH WHAT'S THERE?
OF COURSE.
WHAT ABOUT IT?
NEXT QUES-TION...
KNOW OF ANY ROCK FORMATION YOU COULD LAUNCH US OFF OF?
OR, I DON'T KNOW, SAY...
...SOMETHING YOU COULD USE AS A RAMP?
THERE'S A...AN OVERTURNED SHIPWRECK AT THE END OF THE CHANNEL.
WAIT A MINUTE...
WHAT ARE YOU GETTING AT?

YOU JUST SAID IT YOURSELF...
WE COULD BLOW THEM TO THE MOON.
NOW, LISTEN CLOSELY...


NO WAY WE CAN PULL THAT OFF.
...
... IMPOSSIBLE.


NO, WE COULD DO IT! IT'S JUST A QUESTION OF TIMING AFTER WE DROP THE ANCHOR.
ACTUALLY, YES...

I'M IN.
DUTCH...
WE GOT NO OTHER BACKUP PLAN, RIGHT?


THEY KNOW THEY HAVE A HUGE ADVANTAGE OVER US...
...BUT THEY PULLED BACK TO CLEAR THE FIELD.
JUST WATCHING THEM MADE IT CLEAR.
THEY GOT A KICK OUT OF CHASING US AROUND.

THIS'LL ONLY WORK IF THEY COME AT US FROM DEAD AHEAD.
FLK
ROCK, HOW DO YOU KNOW THEY'LL GO FOR IT?

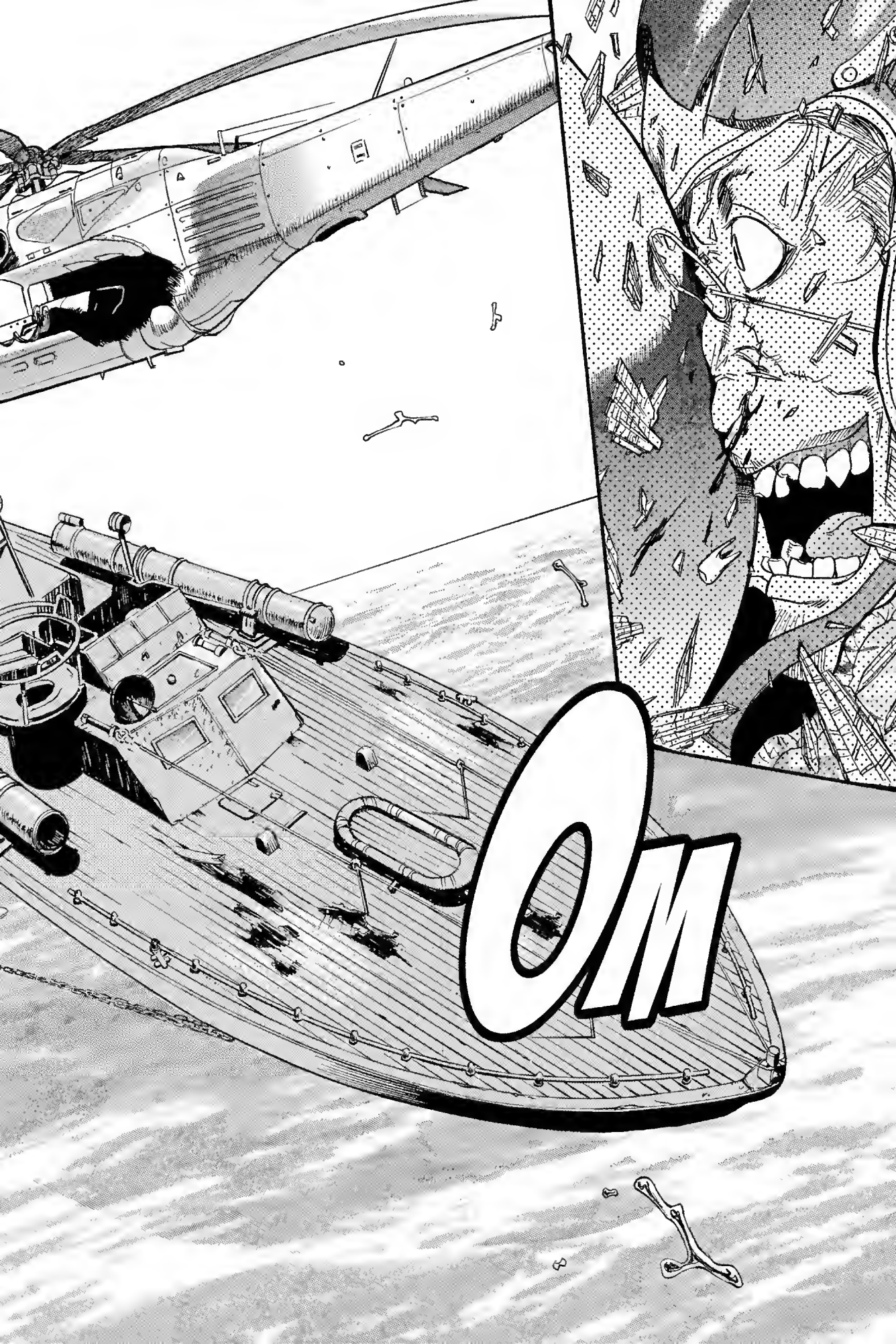
THEY ONLY DID THAT TO GET IN POSITION...
...TO ENJOY WATCHING US SQUIRM IN THEIR TRAP.
IF WE PLAY CHICKEN WITH THEM, THEY'LL BITE FOR SURE.
THEY COULDN'T POSSIBLY LOSE, RIGHT?
OF COURSE, IT'S NO SURE THING.
YOU'RE THE CAPTAIN. YOU MAKE THE CALL...
IT'S UP TO YOU.
DALE
DEL-TONES
JESUS H. CHRIST...
I CAN'T BELIEVE I PICKED UP A NUT LIKE YOU.
ONLY A LUNATIC WOULD COME UP WITH SOMETHING LIKE THIS.
BUT IT SURE KICKS ASS.
AND THAT'S IMPORTANT, ROCK.
ALL RIGHT, LET'S GET IT ON.

VRRRRR
FINISH LINE? FUCK NO, IT'S THE *END* OF THE LINE FOR THEM!!
TAKE US LOWER!!
VR
R
CAPTAIN...
RR
WHR
R
WE'RE ON STATION ABOVE THE FINISH LINE.
OOSH
VROA
WHEN THE MISSILES COME FLYING, I SHOOT THIS THING AWAY FROM US, RIGHT?
ROCK!!
YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO, RIGHT?!
YOU GOT IT IN ONE!! HERE COME THOSE SHITHEADS, SO LET'S KICK THEIR ASSES!
RR

REVY!
ZACHAK
GET 'EM TO PLAY CHICKEN WITH US, BABY!
BAK
O
M
TONK
TONK
TONK
WE'RE TAKING FIRE!
OH, HELL YEAH! BRING IT ON!
C'MON, LET'S PARTY YOU FUCKS!!
WHOOSHHH

ZACHAK
HERE THEY COME, ROCK!
SHWEEE
FOOM
SHREEEEEE
BOOM
BOOM
150 FEET AND CLOSING !!
WE'RE ON THE ALPINE RUN!!
YOU TWO, GET BACK IN THE CABIN!!

VRROO
SIXTY FEET!
VRR
BRACE FOR IMPACT!
DROP ANCHOR !!
FORTY FEET!
I'M GONNA FUCK YOU UP...
...BABY !!
KCHANNG
ZZZOOSH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THUNK
THUNK
KKRASH
ISH

FUCK YOU!!
KABOOM

AMEN HALLELUJAH PEANUT BUTTER.
EVEN MY SHADES ARE OKAY.
I DON'T BELIEVE IT. MY HEAD'S STILL ATTACHED.
...
F
WP
WHAT HAPPENED TO HIM?!
CHRIST, WHERE'S ROCK?!
HE'S OVER HERE, OUT COLD.
BENNY, YOU ALL RIGHT?
MY EQUIPMENT'S TRASHED! YOU GET ME A NEW SET, OR I'M ON STRIKE!
THANK FUCKING CHRIST.
BUT ONCE IS ENOUGH, FUCK YOU VERY MUCH.
ONE ON ONE WITH THE GIRLS OF SWANK!
MAN, HE SOUNDED LIKE WILLIAM HOLDEN IN THE WILD BUNCH.
WHEN WE CRASHED HE HOLLERED OUT LIKE YOU WOULDN'T BELIEVE.
YEAH.
YOU GOT THAT RIGHT.
WELL GET A LOAD OF THIS...
HE LOOKS MIGHTY PLEASED WITH HIMSELF.

WHITE SKULL
BY GOD, WE SURE PICKED UP...
...QUITE A CHARACTER.
GREAT WORK. THANK YOU.
DISK DELIVERY CONFIRMED.

I MUST SAY YOU ALL LOOK TERRIBLE.
I DO LOVE IT WHEN BUSINESS GOES SMOOTHLY.
BUT YOU KNOW DUTCH...
I DON'T RECALL PLANNING ON VISITING THE SOHO CHARCUTERIE TONIGHT.
JUST DROP IT, PLEASE.
SO...
ARE WE READY TO SETTLE THIS AFFAIR AMICABLY NOW?
...AND WE DID THEM OURS.
NOW, MR KAGEYAMA ...
YOU'VE DONE THINGS YOUR WAY...
IT SEEMS WE HAVE NO CHOICE.
VERY WELL.
YOU'LL FIND THAT HOTEL MOSCOW WILL KEEP ITS END OF THE BARGAIN.

...WHAT IS IT?
OKAJIMA!
YOU'VE CERTAINLY EARNED YOUR PAY TODAY. IT'S TIME TO GO.
SINCE WE'RE READY TO WRAP THIS UP...
WHY DON'T WE NEGOTIATE THE TERMS OF OUR AGREEMENT BACK AT MY OFFICE?
SSHFF
SIR...
...HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN ALREADY?
YOU SAID SO YOURSELF.
THW
OKAJIMA'S ...
...DEAD AND GONE FROM YOUR WORLD.
IPP
MY NAME...
...IS ROCK.

I'M SORRY YOU GOT MIXED UP WITH THESE CLOWNS...
BUT...
...IT'D BE A REAL SHAME TO SEE A TOUGH GUY LIKE YOU WITHER AWAY AS SOME BORING SALARYMAN.
IF YOU EVER NEED ANY HELP, DON'T HESITATE TO COME TO ME, ALL RIGHT?
До свидания.
(BYE NOW.)
SKRK
YOU KNOW, ROCK...
...I SEE.
VERY WELL. DO AS YOU PLEASE.
Y-YES SIR!!
KACHUNK
COME ON!
VRRRM...

WELL I'M NOT A HOSTAGE ANYMORE.
I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO, REALLY.

SO ROCK...
WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO NOW?

THEY'RE COURIERS...
SAY...
I KNOW AN OUTFIT THAT'S LOOKING TO HIRE A CREW MEMBER.
...AND EVERY ONCE IN A WHILE THEY BREAK THE LAW...
THAT SOUND ABOUT RIGHT?

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BUT I BELIEVE...
...COMPLYING QUICKLY...

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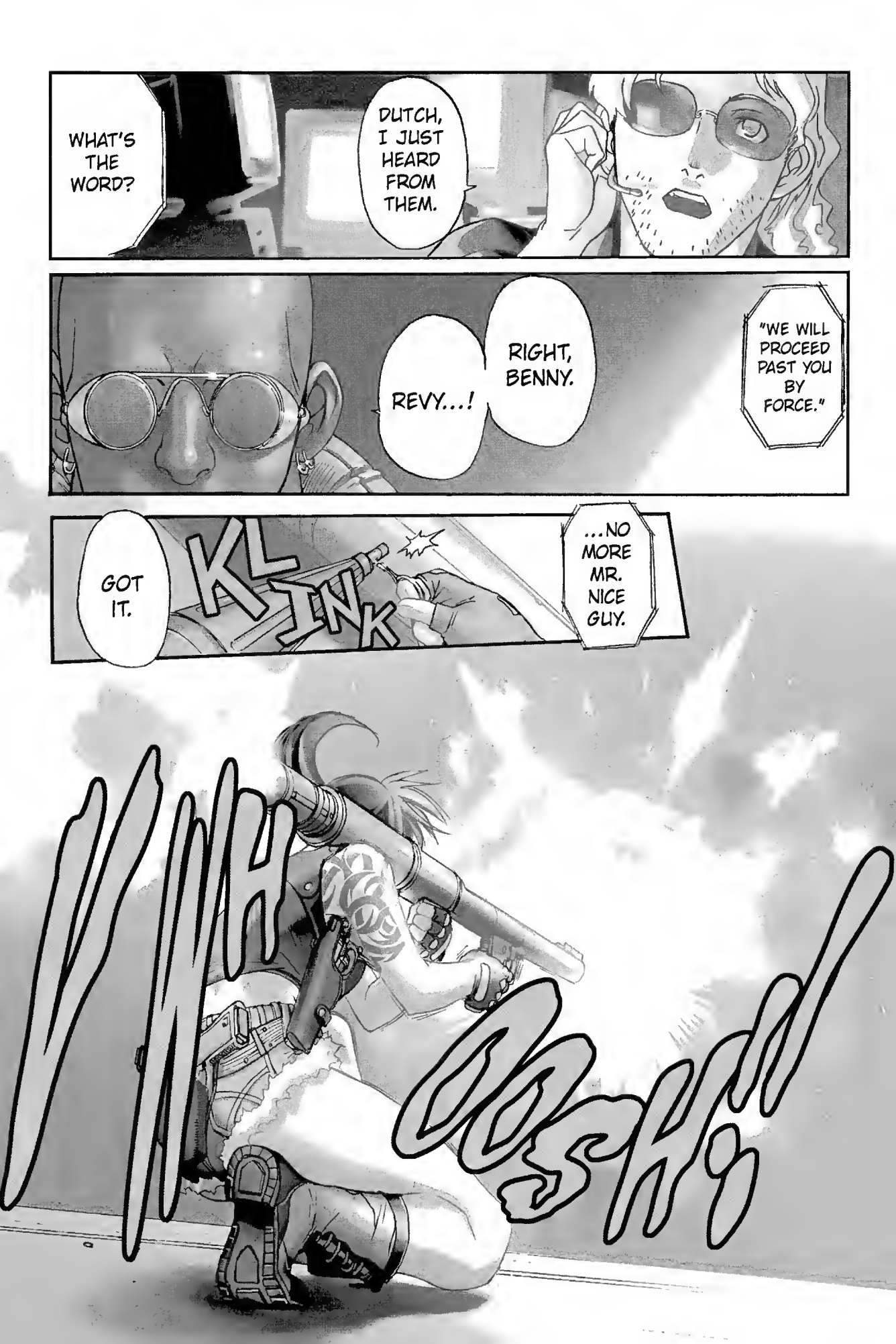

WHAT'S THE WORD?
DUTCH, I JUST HEARD FROM THEM.
"WE WILL PROCEED PAST YOU BY FORCE."
RIGHT, BENNY.
REVY...!
GOT IT.
KL
IN
K
...NO MORE MR. NICE GUY.
WASHOOSH!!

VROOM
KCHANK
UMMM...
BEFORE...
GRAB
GIMME THAT.
GR
GR
GR
WHAT THE HELL?!
THEY'VE GOT ROCKETS !!
NOW LISTEN UP, YOU FAT SLOBS!
MY RPG CAN FLY FASTER THAN ANY MORSE CODE SOS YOU CAN SEND!
UNLESS YOU WANT ME TO TURN YOU INTO A BLOOD-DRENCHED GHOST SHIP, HEAVE TO NOW!!

TELL 'EM, "SAINT JONES SECURED."
"TAKE HER WHEREVER YOU WANT BEFORE THE LAW SHOWS UP."
ALL RIGHT, BENNY BOY...
CONTACT THE CHAN WAI BANG PEOPLE.
GOTCHA.
LET'S GET BACK TO PORT BY NOON.
THE KOWHAN'S RICE BOWLS SELL OUT QUICKLY.
ZLASH
SZSSH
ZLASH

CHAK
YOU'RE IN CHARGE.
OKAY...
BE CAREFUL OUT THERE.
REVY...
I'LL BE OUT FOR A WHILE.
SO, REVY...
WHERE'D DUTCH GO?
NO CLUE.
I DON'T CARE WHAT HE DOES ON HIS TIME OFF.
FRIENDS ARE HARD TO COME BY WHEN YOU'RE NOSEY, ROCK.
Dickies
ZENITH
BENNY JACK
OLD TIME

EDEN CON
KLAK
HELLO THERE ...
YEAH, IT'S ME... HOW'S IT GOING?
...YEAH, IF YOU COULD.
10013 INTER-NATIONAL... YEAH.
120 THOUSAND U.S...YUP, TO BE WIRED.
LIST THE SENDER AS "FLYER'S COMPANY" ...
SKRCH
...RIGHT...
...YEAH, TALK TO YOU LATER.
HEY, DUTCH !!
NICE WEATHER, DON'T YOU THINK?
HOW'S BUSINESS?
NOT TOO BAD, MR. CHEN...
WELL, ISN'T THAT SWELL... BY THE WAY...

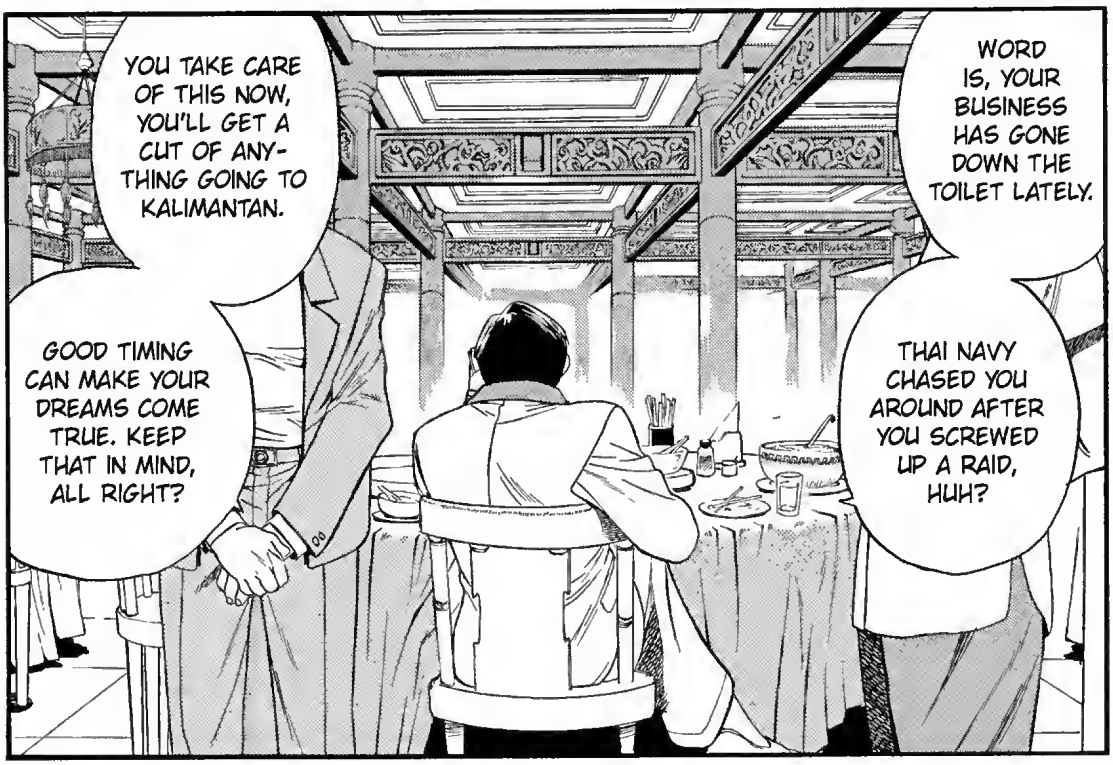
...WORK WITH THAT SLY, FRY-FACED CUNT?
JUST HOW LONG ARE YOU GOING TO...
THEY'VE GOT NO HONOR AND DON'T PLAY BY THE RULES. AND NOW THEY'RE REACHING OUT INTO THE SHIP-PING ROUTES...
WHOREHOUSES, RACKETEERING, HEROIN SMUGGLING ROUTES...THAT IVAN BITCH SNAGGED 'EM ALL.
ONCE THEY HAVE THAT, ALL OUR ASSES'LL BE HUNG OUT TO DRY.
I'M TALKING ABOUT THAT GODDAMNED RUSSIAN...
EVER SINCE THE RUSSKIES MOVED IN, BUSINESS HAS BEEN HURTIN'... HURTING BAD, DUTCH.
I DON'T GET WHAT YOU'RE SAYING...
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
TRD 192
BREAK WITH HER, AND DO IT NOW.
WHAT I'M SAYIN' IS, BUTT OUT OF THAT GIG, DUTCH...
WHEN YOU SOLD JUNK TO THE NPA WE WERE THE ONES DOING THE HAULING...
WE HAD SOME BIG PROBLEMS BACK THEN, BUT WHO SKIPPED OUT WHEN THINGS GOT HOT?
I'M IN A GOOD MOOD, SO I'LL TELL YOU SOMETHING, MR. CHEN...
EVEN BAD GUYS GOTTA HAVE SOME PRINCIPLES, YOU DIG?

YOU TRYING TO START SOMETHING AGAIN, DUTCH?
DON'T BRING UP THE PAST LIKE SOME DRIED-UP OLD HAG.
OH, I SEE...
AT LEAST BALALAIKA IS BETTER AT KEEPING HER WORD THAN YOU ARE.
...I'M WILLING TO SHIP YOUR GOODS IF YOU AGREE TO MY TERMS.
THAT'S ALL THERE IS TO IT, MR. CHEN.
DUTCH!!
REGRETS ALWAYS COME LATER, YOU KNOW?
THP

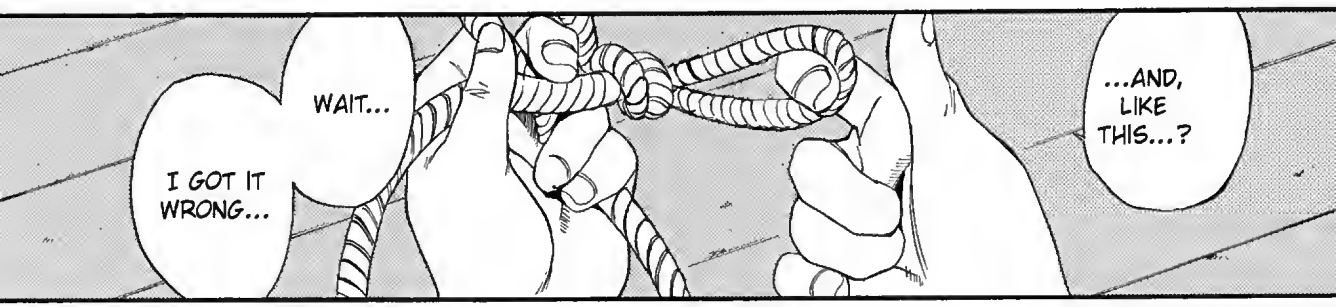
BETTER USE YOUR HEAD IF YOU WANNA STAY AFLOAT, MR. CHEN.
THERE WON'T BE A NEXT TIME IF YOU PULL THAT SHIT AGAIN.
ACK!
SH
OOMP
RISE AND SHINE, SAILOR!!
WE GOT WORK TO DO!!
WHERE TO?
THUD
JUST A PICK-UP ON SOME EMBEZZLED GOODS AT PHU QUOC ISLAND, COURTESY OF THE VIETNAMESE ARMY.
WE HAD NO PLANS FOR TODAY, ANYWAY... HARD WORK IS ITS OWN REWARD.
VRR
JOB JUST CAME IN.
IT'S A GIG FROM DONNY YEN...
OOM
JEEZ, JUST HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE YOU TO GET DRESSED?
I CAN'T BELIEVE A SLUG LIKE YOU GETS PAID THE SAME AS I DO...
ALL RIGHT! ALL RIGHT ALREADY!

I WEAR THIS BECAUSE I LIKE TO.
IT'S NOT BECAUSE I'M LOW ON FUNDS...
I BOUGHT YOU THAT HAWAIIAN SHIRT AT THE MARKET THE OTHER DAY...
WHAT'D YOU DO WITH IT?
THAT REMINDS ME, ROCK...
JUST LOOK AT ROCK HERE...
...STILL STUCK IN THAT WHITE-COLLAR MONKEY SUIT!!
SMACK
C'MON DUTCH, RUNNING ERRANDS DOESN'T GET US ANYWHERE, DAMN IT!
THRORRO
EXCUSE ME?!
YOU SAYIN' I GOT NO TASTE OR SOME-THIN'?! WELL?!
THAT TACKY THING?!
WEARING THAT SHIRT'S NOT A COMPLIMENT, IT'S PUNISHMENT!!
PIP
中華龍拳

LOOKS LIKE THEY'VE FALLEN FOR OUR TRAP.
NOW IT'S UP TO YOU, LUAC.


YOU TAKE CARE OF THIS NOW, YOU'LL GET A CUT OF ANY-THING GOING TO KALIMANTAN.
WORD IS, YOUR BUSINESS HAS GONE DOWN THE TOILET LATELY.
GOOD TIMING CAN MAKE YOUR DREAMS COME TRUE. KEEP THAT IN MIND, ALL RIGHT?
THAI NAVY CHASED YOU AROUND AFTER YOU SCREWED UP A RAID, HUH?

REGRETS ALWAYS COME LATER...
LIKE I SAID, DUTCH...
PIP


WAIT...
I GOT IT WRONG...
...AND, LIKE THIS...?

JESUS, ROCK...
EITHER YOU AREN'T TRYIN', OR...
...YOU MUST HAVE SOME REAL FUCKIN' BUTTER-FINGERS.
...I... I'M SORRY...
MAN, YOU AREN'T CUT OUT FOR THIS!
HERE, I'LL SHOW YOU.
C'MON, GIVE ME A BREAK...
I NEVER DID ANYTHING LIKE THIS AT WORK.
SO, ROCK ...
WHAT DID YOU DO AT THAT JOB?
I WAS IN THE MATERIALS PROCUREMENT DEPARTMENT.
I'D GO ON BUSINESS TRIPS, PREPARE REPORTS, MAKE PHONE CALLS...
BUT IT SEEMED LIKE MY JOB MAINLY CONSISTED OF BOWING TO EVERYONE.
AFTER WORK, I'D HAVE TO GO OUT AND DRINK WITH MY SUPERI-ORS...
ONCE, ONE OF THEM GOT SO DRUNK, HE STARTED KICKING ME AROUND.
ZWIP
QUITE A STORY...
MAKES ME WANNA PUKE. WHY'D YOU PUT UP WITH IT? YOU A MASOCHIST OR SOMETHIN'?

WHAT I DID IN THE PAST IS NO DIFFERENT FROM WHAT I DO NOW.
SO REVY ...
WHAT DID YOU DO BEFORE THIS?
THAT'S HOW EVERYONE DEALS WITH IT.
PUTTING UP WITH IT IS PART OF THE JOB.
I DIDN'T WANT TO END UP ON THE STREET.
WHAT...
...YOU RAN AROUND NEIGHBORHOOD RIVERS WAVING A CUTLASS WHEN YOU WERE A KID?
...IT'S THE TRUTH.
I STOLE. I KILLED. I DID ALL SORTS OF VILE CRAP.
MY STORY AIN'T WORTH SHIT.

DUTCH?
WE GOT CONTACTS INBOUND.
WHAT?
SHOULDN'T BE ANY COMMERCIAL SHIPPING OR MILITARY TYPES AROUND HERE.
THEY'RE SMALL BUT FAST.
MY GUESS IS THEY'RE RIVER BOATS.
CAN YOU TELL THEIR MAKE?
KNOW WHAT I'M SAYIN'?
YEAH, IT STINKS.
HEY DUTCH...
OH, I LOVE THAT SMELL...
I'D KNOW IT ANYWHERE.
...I SMELL SOME-THING.

THE STENCH OF...
...BLOOD AND GUN-SMOKE.
SHLASH
SHLASH
HELLO? HELLO?!
YOU READ ME, LAGOON?!
SHLASH

THERE'RE NO SHIPS FOR YOU TO PREY ON AROUND HERE.
BETTER HEAD BACK BEFORE YOU GET LOST, LUAC.
DUTCH, IT'S ME...
LONG TIME NO SEE.
BUT I DO SEE ONE, JAVA BEANS!
I SEE A SHITTY OLD PT BOAT RUNNIN' FOR A FAT STACK OF CASH.
ROAR
ROAR

VROO VROO VROOM
LORD HAVE MERCY ON YOUR UNBRIDLED STUPIDITY, LUAC.
CHEN MUST'VE SWEET-TALKED YOU INTO THIS, DIDN'T HE?
VRRR VRRR VRRR
YOU SMARTASS BASTARD.
LET'S SEE IF A PINT OF LEAD CHANGES YOUR ATTITUDE...
FLANK THAT FUCKER FROM BOTH SIDES!!
CHAN

SHUNK
!
DAK
DAK
DAK
DAK
YEAARRRGH!
ZHT
ZHT

...RULE NO. 1 IS TO MAKE SURE YOUR UNITS AREN'T IN EACH OTHER'S LINE OF FIRE.
AMATEURS.
KLK
VHK
BAFOOM
WHEN ATTACKING AN ENEMY IN A CROSS-FIRE...
YOU FUCK!!
DON'T GET COCKY !!
VROOM
VROOM VROOM
VROOM
I'LL SEND YOU TO HELL RIGHT NOW!!

LUAC MUST'VE SCROUNGED UP HIS WHOLE GANG FOR THIS RAID.
TWO BOATS COMING AT US FROM 2 O'CLOCK AND 4 O'CLOCK!!
WHUMP
CHAK
DO NOT
FIRE ARMS
MARINE. LOT-103
YOU'RE UP, TWO HAND.
HE'S GOING ALL OUT.
REVY!
KCHUNK
IT'S SHOWTIME, CAN YOU MAKE 'EM DANCE?
HELL YEAH.
CLACK

WELL, ROCK...
...WATCH AND LEARN!!
CHOK
WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO...
ZCHAK
...WITH THAT...?
I'LL START WITH THE SHIT AT OUR 2 O'CLOCK.
GET ME CLOSE AND KEEP THE BOAT STEADY.
YOU GOT IT.
WOO-HOO!
LET'S DANCE!

We all go down for the sacrificial moment.
Crucifixion nails stain the bed of holy
K
TH
OOM
ZSH
ZSH

space thing
diamond studded
sugar coated!
DA
SH
FOOM
SHCA
AK
KILL THAT BITCH !!
2SH

WHOOSH
TURN ME ON
YEAH! YEAH!

Electric Head-ALL OVER
KCHAK
BRAKKA
BRAKKA
BRAKKA

Electric Head Pt 1
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AP
WHOOM
B R-A
TT
DAMN, THAT BITCH IS FAST!!
ATA
T
KILL HER! FUCKIN' KILL HER!
!

THK
♫ SUPER DEMON seed running WILD and below ♫
HAK
CRUNCH
KBLAM
BRAT
ATA
SHIT !!
BRRR
RRT
BRRR
"Head trip Pimpin' turn a trick to ♫ the flow. ♪
BRRRRRT

SPAK
SPAK
SPAK
SPAK
THERE! THERE SHE IS!!
KLNK
KLNK
SHOOT!! CUT HER DOWN!!
WOOSH

WELL LUAC, SEEMS YOU WERE THE ONE...
...DOING THE CHA-CHA WITH HOT LEAD.
MY...
MY FLEET...!
END OF THE LINE...
BAK
GR RRR
...FUCK!!

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SHE TOOK THEM OUT ALL BY HERSELF...?
AMAZING...!!
NO SWEAT.
PHUFF!
HE STICKS A BLOWTORCH UP MY ASS AND THEN GETS HIMSELF KILLED!!
THAT MORON!! WHO GAVE BIRTH TO THAT PIECE OF SHIT?!
HOW COULD THAT ASSWIPE LUAC HAVE SCREWED THIS UP?!

SHIT!! I WISH I COULD KILL LUAC ALL OVER AGAIN!!
GOD-DAMN IT!
THUD!
THIS IS UNBELIEV-ABLE!!
I GOTTA GET OUT OF HERE BEFORE BALALAIKA'S DOGS TRACK ME DOWN...
...OR ELSE SHE'LL COOK MY BALLS ALONG WITH MY ASS!
WELL, WELL, WELL...
HARD AT WORK, MR. CHEN?
...BE OF SOME ASSIS-TANCE?
PERHAPS I COULD...

I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU HEARD...
...BUT I'M SURE YOU GOT THIS ALL WRONG. LISTEN, ONCE WE SIT DOWN AND TALK ABOUT IT...
...OVER DINNER, I'M SURE YOU'LL SEE THINGS DIFFERENTLY.
SO...
TH
AK
LISTEN TO ME YOU MISERABLE TURD...
THERE'S NOTHING YOU CAN TELL ME. I KNOW WHAT I NEED TO KNOW.
START PRAYING.
BECAUSE THAT'S ALL YOU HAVE TIME FOR BEFORE YOU DIE.

FORGET IT? YOU DUMBASS, WE WASTED PERFECTLY GOOD AMMO ON THAT RUN.
C'MON, FORGET IT.
THINK OF IT AS GETTING BITTEN BY A STRAY DOG.
HEY, THE PHONE'S RINGING.
RRRING
OH, MAAAN.
WHAT A WASTE OF TIME. ALL THAT RUNNING AROUND FOR NOTHING.
WHO IS IT?
MS. BALALAIKA.
OH, MR. YAPONSKI? DOING WELL, I TRUST?
HELLO, LAGOON TRADERS.
AH...
JUST A MOMENT.
YAWN
LISTEN, IS DUTCH THERE?
WHO'D YOU HEAR THAT FROM?
HELLO, DUTCH...
OFF ON A WILD GOOSE CHASE, I HEAR. SOMETHING ABOUT CHEN PLAYING GAMES WITH YOU?

WHEN YOU TALK UP A PLAN TO EVERY OUTFIT IN TOWN...
...EVEN THE DEAD WILL CATCH WIND OF IT.
I'LL MAKE SURE THIS WON'T HAPPEN AGAIN. THIS MUST HAVE CAUSED YOU QUITE A HEADACHE.
Huff!
Huff!
HE WAS QUITE TALKATIVE FOR SOMEONE RUNNING A CONSPIRACY.
FROM THE MAN HIMSELF.
COOLER THAN JAMES BROWN?
KLIK
Dā.
YOU'RE TOO SWEET, DUTCH. NOW THIS WON'T MAKE UP FOR YOUR TROUBLE, BUT...
...I HAVE SOMETHING I THINK YOU'LL LIKE. AS WE SAY IN RUSSIAN, A LITTLE *MUZYKA* FOR YOUR EARS.
NOT REALLY...
NOT EVEN ENOUGH FOR ME TO OPEN MY BOTTLE OF TYLENOL.
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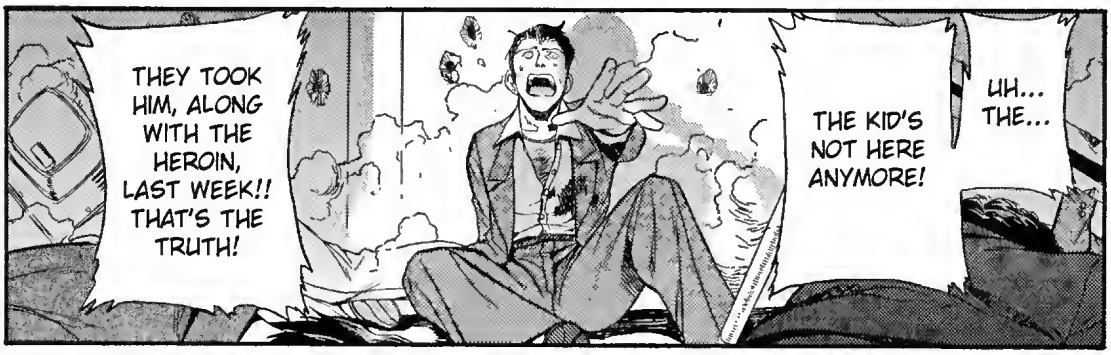
BEEP
BAM
BOOM
malaysia
malaysia
TAXI
AH-HA.
I'LL HAVE MORE WORK FOR YOU SOON. I'LL CALL YOU AGAIN.
VERY COOL.

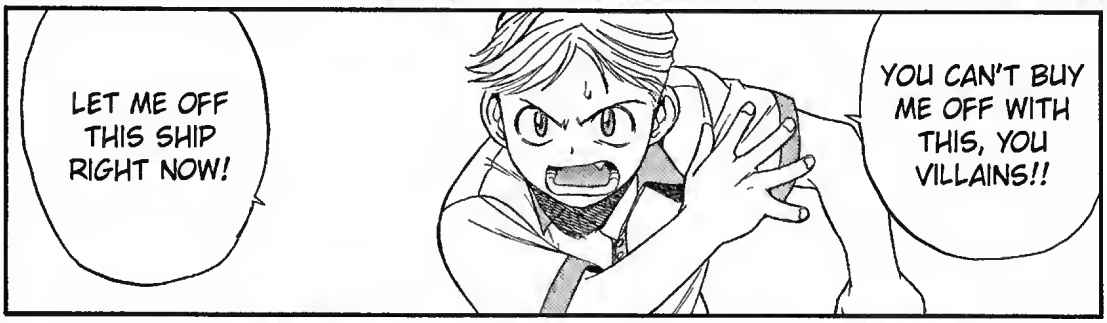
SO, DUTCH ...
WAS THAT ABOUT BUSINESS?
YEAH...
SHE SAYS BUSINESS IS BOOMING...
REVY. ROCK...
YOU GOT ANY PLANS FOR TODAY?
NONE THAT I KNOW OF.
HOW ABOUT YOU, BENNY?
I NEED TO DO SOME MAINTE-NANCE...
...BUT IT'S NOT LIKE IT CAN'T WAIT.
WELL, THEN...
IN LIGHT OF THE PROBLEMS WE ENCOUN-TERED AND THE PSYCHOLOGICAL STRESS IT CAUSED...
...IT'S MY DUTY AS YOUR EMPLOYER TO PROVIDE YOU WITH SOME RECREATION.
WHICH BRINGS ME TO MY POINT...

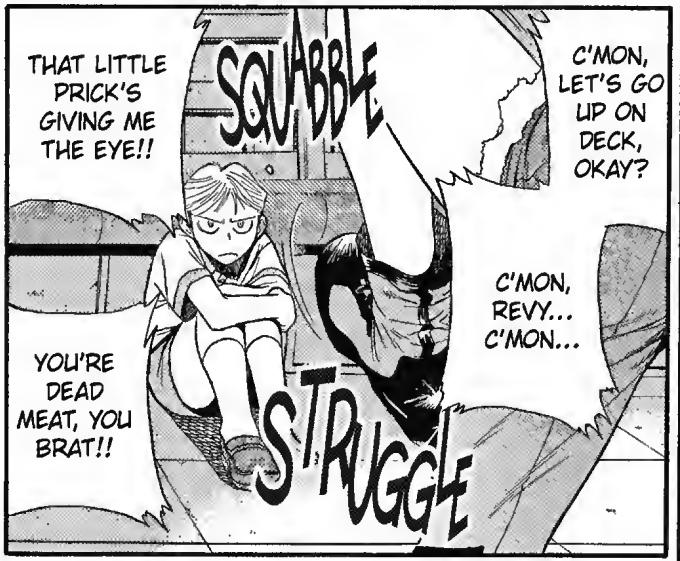
I'M BUYING, OF COURSE. WHO'S COMING?
I SUGGEST THAT WE HEAD OVER TO THE YELLOW FLAG AND DRINK OUR TROUBLES AWAY.
HOT DAMN! WE DRINKIN' TILL DAWN, DUTCH?!
SURE, I'LL GO.
OH, UH... I'LL GO TOO...
ALL RIGHT! GET THE CAR, BENNY!!
...AND ROCK!! WE'RE OFF THE CLOCK... YOU PUT ON THAT HAWAIIAN SHIRT!!



Chapter 2: Rasta Blasta - Part I

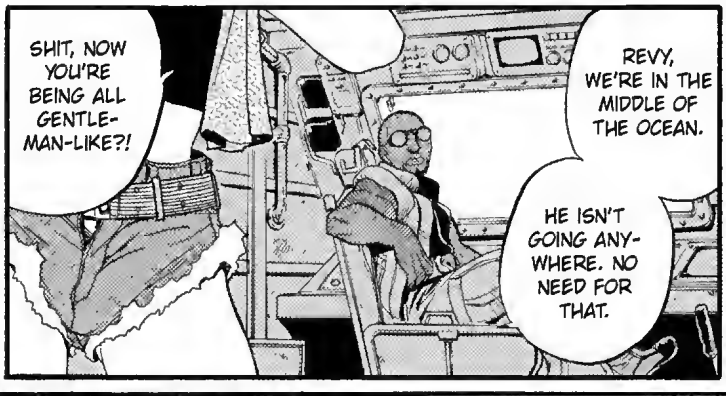
Main cabin, Black Lagoon, South China Sea

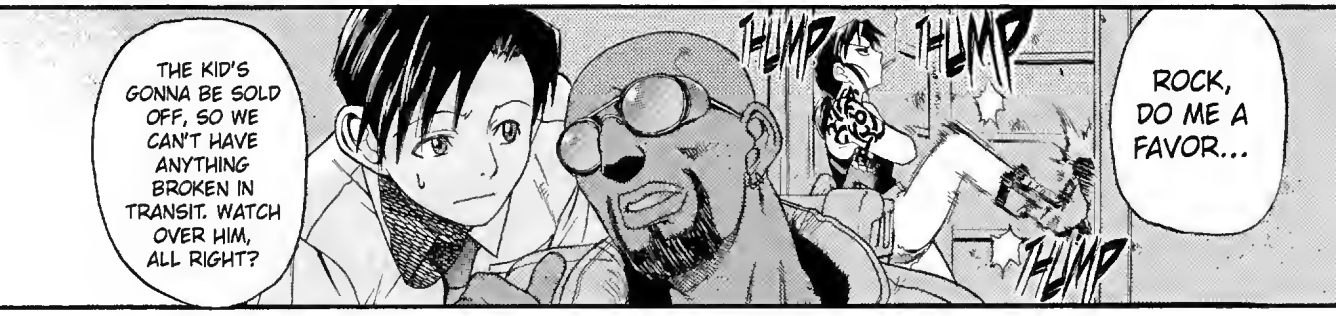


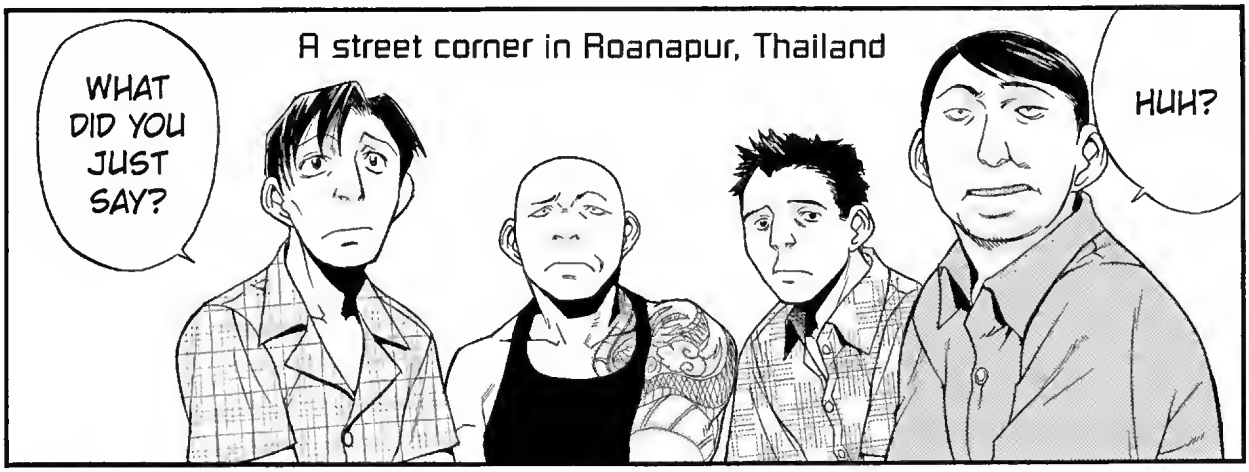


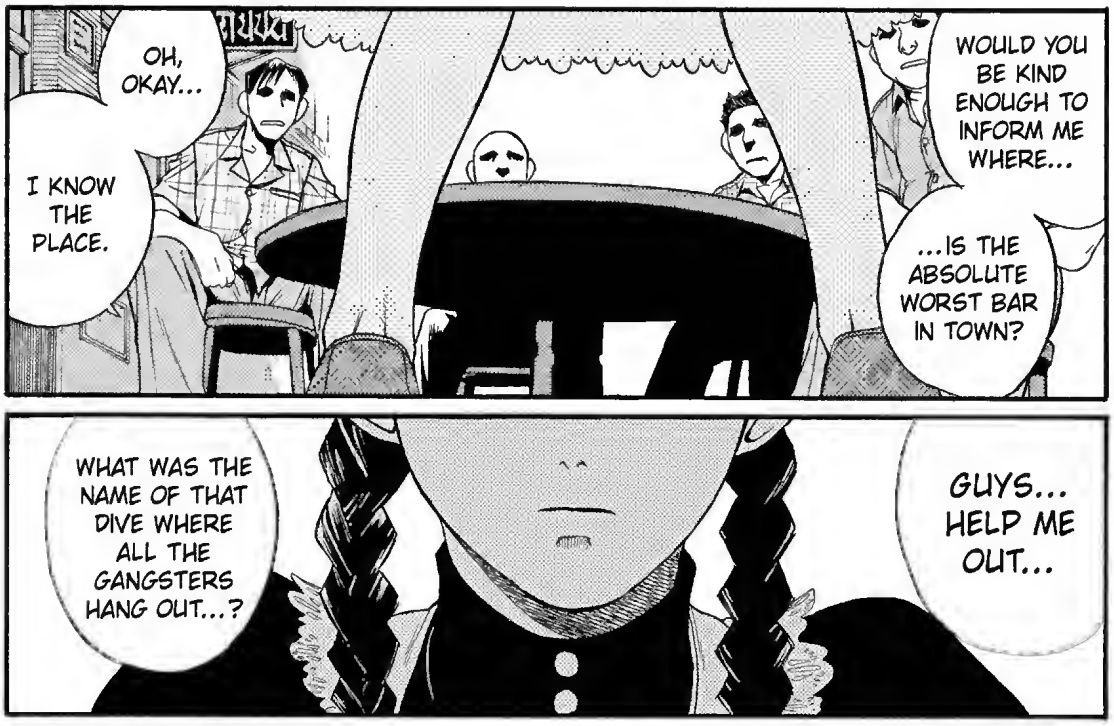
WE OUGHTA CHAIN HIM UP AND THROW HIM IN THE HOLD.
AIN'T THAT RIGHT, DUTCH?
JESUS, HOW WAS THAT KID RAISED?!
THE CABIN'S TOO GOOD FOR THAT LITTLE SNOT.

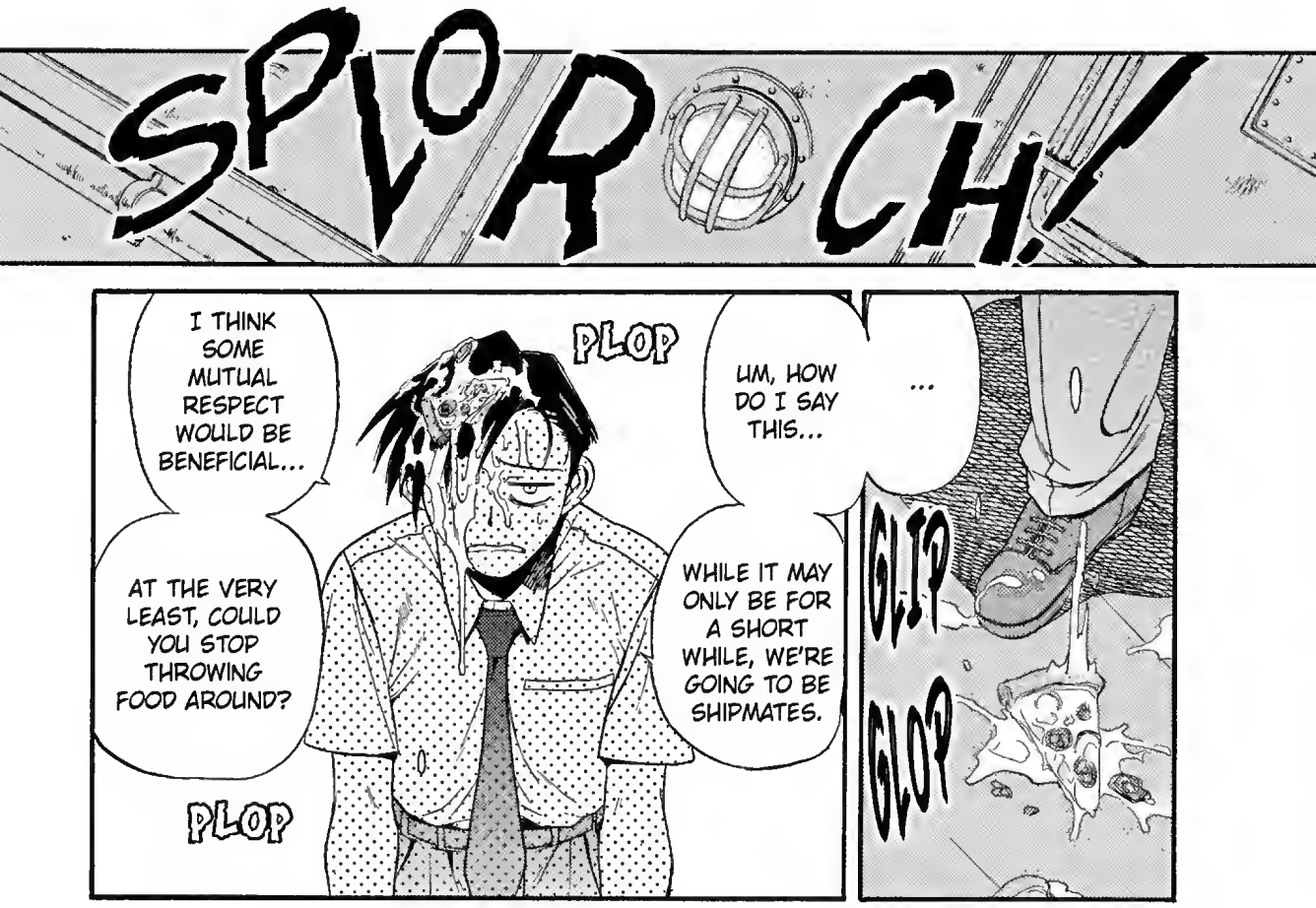
KTHUNK
FUCK, THAT KID IS DRIVING ME NUTS!
I TRY TO BE NICE, AND THEN HE GETS ALL FULL OF HIMSELF!! FUCKING RUGRAT!


SHIT, NOW YOU'RE BEING ALL GENTLE-MAN-LIKE?!
REVY, WE'RE IN THE MIDDLE OF THE OCEAN.
HE ISN'T GOING ANY-WHERE. NO NEED FOR THAT.

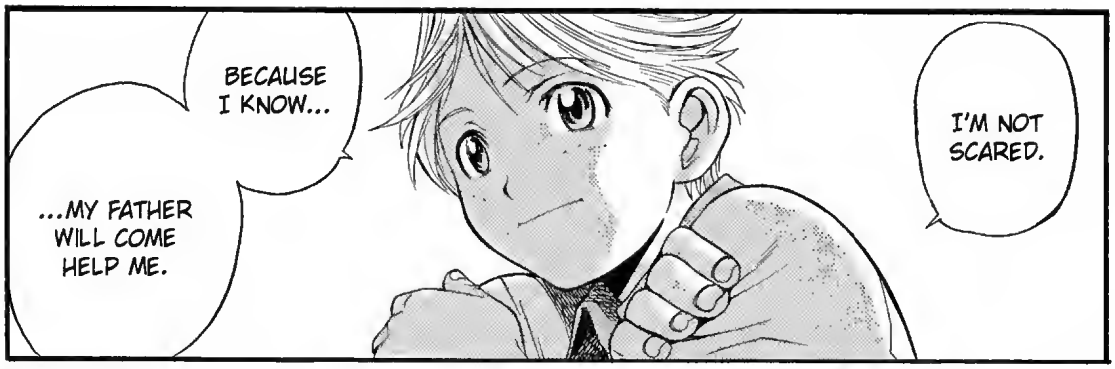

THE KID'S GONNA BE SOLD OFF, SO WE CAN'T HAVE ANYTHING BROKEN IN TRANSIT. WATCH OVER HIM, ALL RIGHT?
THUMP
THUMP
THUMP
ROCK, DO ME A FAVOR...


A street corner in Roanapur, Thailand
WHAT DID YOU JUST SAY?
HUH?


OH, OKAY...
I KNOW THE PLACE.
WOULD YOU BE KIND ENOUGH TO INFORM ME WHERE...
...IS THE ABSOLUTE WORST BAR IN TOWN?
WHAT WAS THE NAME OF THAT DIVE WHERE ALL THE GANGSTERS HANG OUT...?
GUYS... HELP ME OUT...

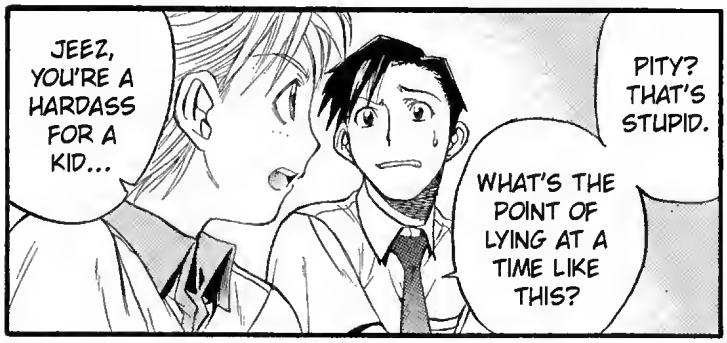

SPLORCH!
I THINK SOME MUTUAL RESPECT WOULD BE BENEFICIAL...
PLOP
UM, HOW DO I SAY THIS...
...
AT THE VERY LEAST, COULD YOU STOP THROWING FOOD AROUND?
PLOP
WHILE IT MAY ONLY BE FOR A SHORT WHILE, WE'RE GOING TO BE SHIPMATES.
GLP
GLOP

MUTUAL RESPECT? DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH...
THE BLESSED VIRGIN SEES THROUGH ALL YOUR LIES, YOU SCOUNDREL!
YEAH, WELL YOU MIGHT BE RIGHT...
I CAN'T SAY MUCH SINCE I'M A PART OF THIS.
YOU SEEM DIFFERENT FROM THE OTHERS...
YOU'RE NOT AT ALL LIKE THAT TATTOOED WOMAN AND THAT BLACK GUY... YOU SEEM... ORDINARY.
I SUPPOSE SO...
I'M A SCOUNDREL IN TRAINING, YOU MIGHT SAY.
THE MANISALERA CARTEL MEN...
...WOULDN'T TELL ME ANYTHING BUT...
...I'M ABOUT TO BE SOLD OFF TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, AREN'T I?
...
THERE'RE PARTS OF THIS JOB I DON'T LIKE EITHER.
BUT THERE'S NOTHING I CAN SAY THAT WILL CHANGE THINGS.
...ARE YOU SCARED?


I'M NOT SCARED.
BECAUSE I KNOW...
...MY FATHER WILL COME HELP ME.

YOUR FATHER?
I THOUGHT YOU WERE AN ORPHAN...
DID THOSE CARTEL MEN TELL YOU THAT? THAT'S ALL LIES.

LOOK, YOU MIGHT BE TRYING TO GET PITY OUT OF ME...
...BUT IF YOU'RE GOING TO LIE, YOU'LL HAVE TO DO BETTER THAN THAT.


PITY? THAT'S STUPID.
WHAT'S THE POINT OF LYING AT A TIME LIKE THIS?
JEEZ, YOU'RE A HARDASS FOR A KID...

WHERE DID YOU GET THE NAME LOVELACE ANYWAY?
THEY'RE THE FAMILY THAT'S THE WORST OFF OUT OF THE 13.
SURE, IT MAKES YOUR STORY MORE CREDIBLE, BUT...

I'M NEXT IN LINE OF SUCCESSION... I'M HIS ONLY SON, GARCIA LOVELACE.
HIS NAME IS DIEGO LOVELACE AND HE'S THE 11TH HEAD OF THE FAMILY!
MY FATHER IS A MEMBER OF THE PROUD 13 FAMILIES OF SOUTH AMERICA.

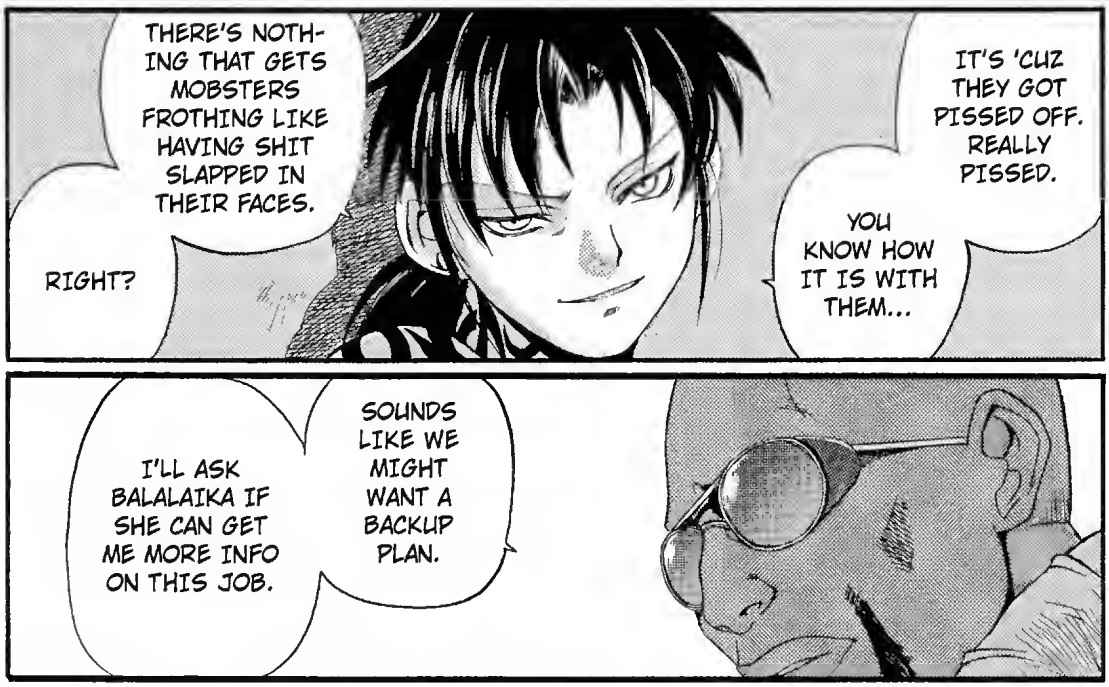
BUT WE WERE DOING FINE ON OUR OWN.
SQUEEZE
YEAH, I KNOW OUR FAMILY ISN'T DOING THAT GREAT THESE DAYS.
...
WE WEREN'T WELL OFF, BUT OUR PLANTATION WAS DOING WELL.
MY FATHER ...
HE WAS THE OLD-FASHIONED TYPE, AND DIDN'T START ANY UNNECESSARY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES.
THEY WANTED TO BUY US OFF OUR LAND.
THEN THEY FOUND OUT ABOUT THE RARE-EARTH DEPOSITS FROM THE GEOLOGY SURVEYS.
ALL THAT CHANGED WHEN THOSE GANGSTERS CAME.
BUT MY FATHER STILL WOULDN'T AGREE TO THEIR TERMS.
AND THAT'S WHY I'M HERE.
THEY SHOWED THEIR TRUE COLORS WHEN MY FATHER REFUSED TO DEAL WITH THEM.
THEY BEGAN HARASSING OUR PLANTATION IN DIFFERENT WAYS...

ALL RIGHT THEN, WHAT WILL MAKE YOU BELIEVE ME?
NOT EASILY, NO.
IN MY LINE OF WORK, IT'S EASY TO GET DUPED.
WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT RARE-EARTH ELEMENTS?
YOU STILL DON'T BELIEVE ME, DO YOU?
FINE. I DON'T CARE.
...RARE EARTH?
WHERE DID YOU LEARN WORDS LIKE THAT?
IT BELONGS IN THE SAME GROUP AS SCANDIUM AND YTTRIUM. IS THAT ENOUGH?
FOR START-ERS, IT'S USED AS A BONDING MEDIUM FOR CERAMICS.
ATOMIC NUMBER 71.
THE ELEMENT THAT'S IN OUR LAND IS LUTETIUM.
...ALL RIGHT, NEXT QUESTION.
THE LOVELACE FAMILY HAS A DOG.

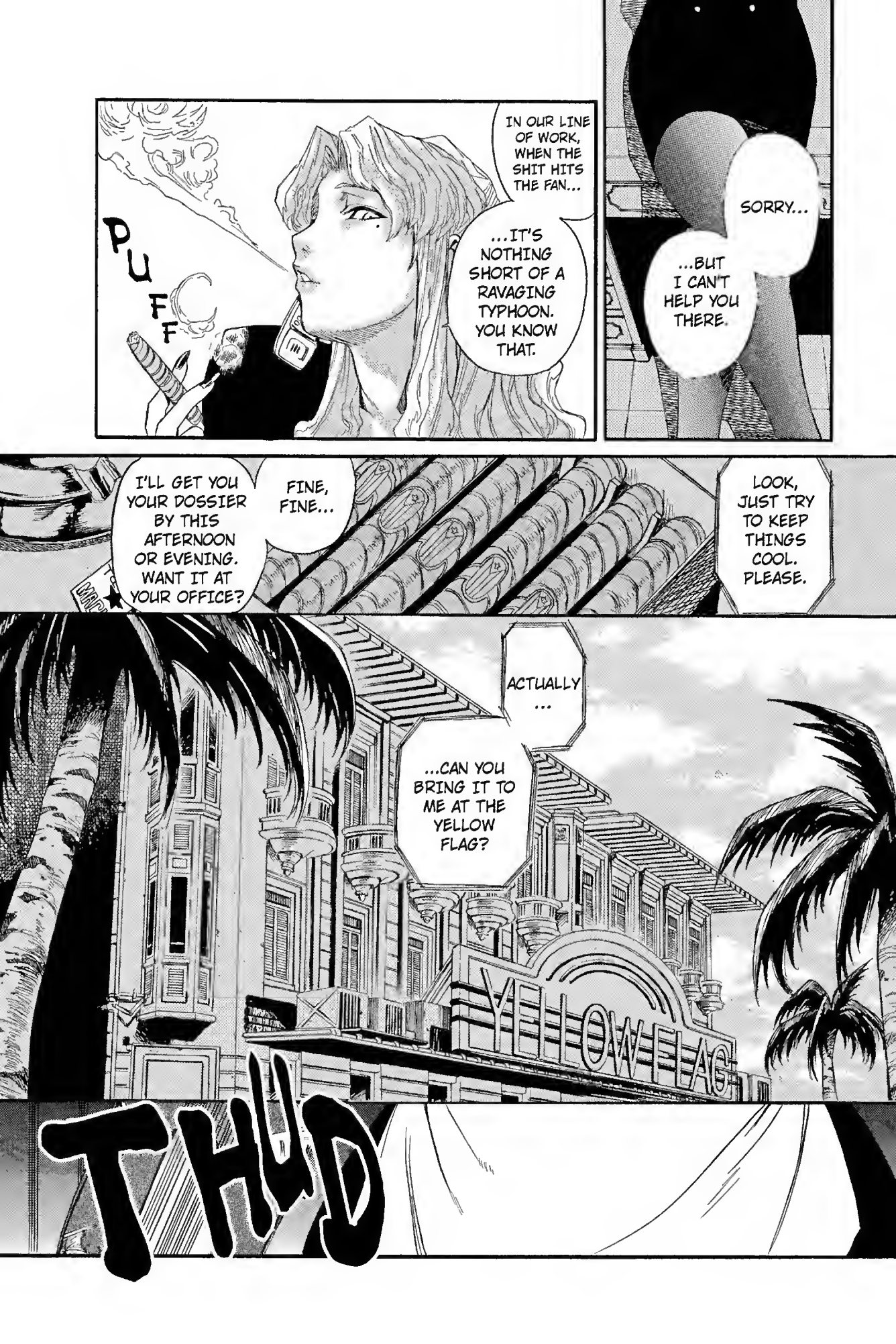
DO YOU KNOW ANYTHING...
...ABOUT THAT DOG?
BOY, YOU ARE A SKEPTIC...
THAT'S AN EASY ONE...
HE BECAME PART OF OUR FAMILY SIX YEARS AGO.
HIS NAME IS LAZARUS.
HE'S A WHITE VOLPINO ITALIANO.
NOW DO YOU BELIEVE ME?

NOW, THAT'S ODD.
THERE'S SOME STRANGE SHIT GOIN' ON HERE.
DUTCH...
IT MIGHT BE A GOOD IDEA TO HEAD BACK TO PORT.
THE CARTEL PEOPLE ARE LYING.
WHEN THEY'RE LYING, THAT MEANS THERE'S TROUBLE BREWING.
HEY, ROCK...
YOU SURE IT'S NOT YOUR BLEED-ING HEART DOING THE TALKIN'?
CHCHAK
CHCHAK
REAL SAD STORY...
THE KID'LL END UP AS SOME PERVERT'S SEX-TOY...
KCHK
OR GET HIS ORGANS HARVESTED. NO WAY OUT OF IT.
BUT HEY...
...JUST AS LONG AS WE'RE WELL PAID...
...IT'S NOT OUR PROBLEM. NOT OUR PROBLEM, CHIEF.
THE EARTH WON'T STOP SPINNING EVEN WHEN JUSTICE DIES.
CHCHAK

I'D BE LYING IF I SAID I DIDN'T FEEL SORRY FOR THE KID.
ON THE OTHER HAND, HAVING A CLIENT LIE TO US DOES BOTHER ME.
EITHER WAY, IT'S DUTCH'S CALL.
I JUST DO WHAT YOU SAY, DUTCH.
ROCK...
THE STORY YOU GOT OUT OF THAT KID... IS IT REALLY TRUE?
I WAS IN THE MATERIALS PROCUREMENT DEPARTMENT IN MY LAST JOB.
I KNOW A LOT ABOUT RARE-EARTH ELEMENTS AND METALS.
WHAT THE BOY SAID ABOUT THE LOVELACE FAMILY DOES HOLD WATER.
THE SOUTH AMERICAN OFFICE HAD DOSSIERS ON ALL THOSE FAMILIES.
BUT I DON'T GET IT.
SNATCH THE KID AND THEY COULD GET WHAT THEY WANT THROUGH EXTORTION.
WHAT'S THE POINT OF ALL THE LIES AND SELLING HIM OFF?
I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THE LIES...
BUT SELLING OFF THE KID... I GOT A HUNCH ABOUT THAT.


THERE'S NOTHING THAT GETS MOBSTERS FROTHING LIKE HAVING SHIT SLAPPED IN THEIR FACES.
RIGHT?
IT'S 'CUZ THEY GOT PISSED OFF. REALLY PISSED.
YOU KNOW HOW IT IS WITH THEM...
SOUNDS LIKE WE MIGHT WANT A BACKUP PLAN.
I'LL ASK BALALAIKA IF SHE CAN GET ME MORE INFO ON THIS JOB.

YOU RARELY COME TO ME FOR HELP.
IMAGINE THAT...
ACTUALLY I WAS ALREADY PLANNING TO ASK YOU TO DO A JOB FOR ME RELATED TO THE MANISALERA CARTEL.
RATHER REMARKABLE TIMING, ISN'T IT?
SORRY ABOUT THIS. I OWE YOU ONE.
BUT KEEP IT ON THE DOWN-LOW, ALL RIGHT?
SN
WELL, I NEED MORE DETAILS ON THE MANISALERA CARTEL AND THE LOVELACE FAMILY.
CAN YOU DO IT?
TK


IN OUR LINE OF WORK, WHEN THE SHIT HITS THE FAN...
...IT'S NOTHING SHORT OF A RAVAGING TYPHOON. YOU KNOW THAT.
PUFFF
SORRY...
...BUT I CAN'T HELP YOU THERE.
LOOK, JUST TRY TO KEEP THINGS COOL. PLEASE.
FINE, FINE...
I'LL GET YOU YOUR DOSSIER BY THIS AFTERNOON OR EVENING. WANT IT AT YOUR OFFICE?
ACTUALLY ...
...CAN YOU BRING IT TO ME AT THE YELLOW FLAG?
YELLOW FLAG
THUD

WE DON'T SERVE MILK HERE...
THUMP
KTOK
KTOK
ABION DE LAS CASAZ
...THEN PERHAPS SOME WATER?
THIS IS A BAR...
YOU ORDER BOOZE IN A BAR, DIPSHIT.

KIL
ONK
KIND SIR, I'VE ONLY COME TO ROANAPUR JUST TODAY...
AS SUCH, I'M NOT FAMILIAR WITH YOUR CUSTOMS YET.
I WAS HOPING TO RELY UPON MY COLOMBIAN ACQUAINTANCES FOR ASSISTANCE.
MIGHT YOU KNOW...
...WHERE THEIR OFFICES WOULD BE?
LOOK, SIS...
DOES THIS PLACE LOOK LIKE AN UNEMPLOYMENT OFFICE OR A TOURIST BUREAU TO YOU?
OF COURSE NOT.
SCRAPE
GIMME A COLA, BAO.
BUMP
WHAT? YOU JOINED THE WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION?
FUCK, NO. IT'S NOT FOR ME, YOU JACKASS.

DOES MY FACE AMUSE YOU OR SOMETHIN'?
WELL?
WHAT?
WHAT ARE YOU LOOKIN' AT?
IT'S NOTHING ...
...
NO...
PISS OFF, ASSHOLE.
KRNCH
KRNCH
CHRIST...
SHE'S THE BITCH QUEEN TODAY.
SARS
THEN DON'T STARE WHEN YOU SHOULD BE DRINKING, SHITHEAD.
JEEZ, REVY...
YOU'RE IN A GOOD MOOD... WHAT GIVES?

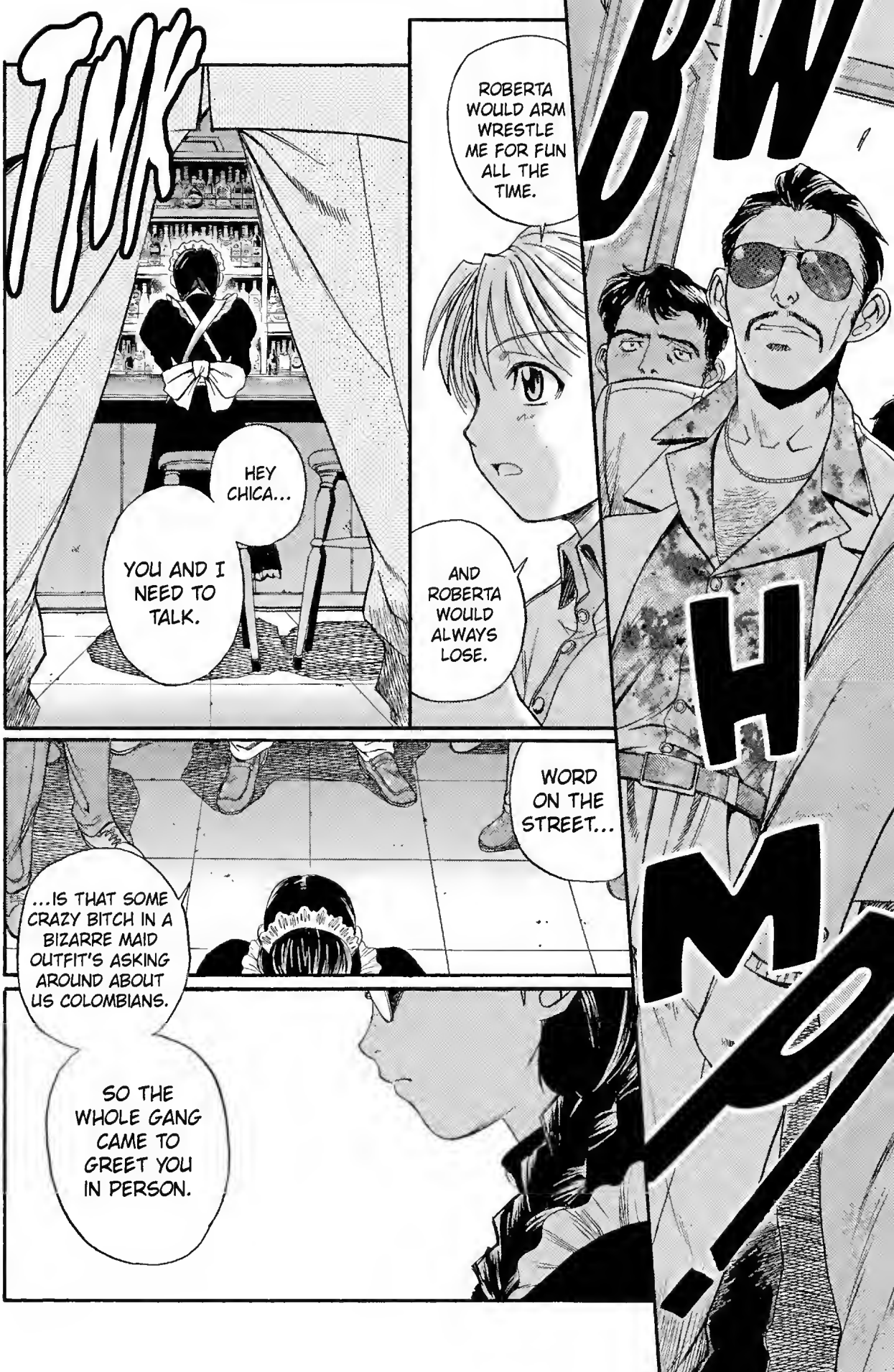
THIS BEER MUG SEEMS TO BE CRACKED...
SCATTER
SCATTERSCATTER
... ANOTHER GLASS?
KIND SIR. MAY I HAVE...
FROM DUS
ROBERT RODRIGUEZ & QUENTIN TARANTINO
ONLINE
PLO
BUD
NK

I DON'T REMEMBER BEING PAID TO BABYSIT, DUTCH.
CHRIST, REVY, I'VE SEEN KIDS ACT MORE MATURE.
HELL, YOU WERE A KID ONCE TOO, WEREN'T YOU?
FUCK THIS SHIT!

THERE! YOU HAPPY NOW?!
YOU WHINE AGAIN, AND YOU'RE DEAD MEAT!

YOU GONNA GO WORK AT THIS BRAT'S MANSION, ROCK?
WHAT...? YOU TOO?
BUT PAY ME ENOUGH AND I'LL CHANGE HIS DIAPERS ANYTIME.
ENOUGH ALREADY !
GLUK
OH REALLY ...?
I APPRECIATE THAT. NO REALLY.
MIGHT SUIT YOU BETTER THAN WORKIN' SHIPS...
YEAH, I CAN SEE IT NOW, ROCK, THE PALE-FACED BUTLER.
MUST BE NICE, LIVIN' LARGE... SURROUNDED BY DOZENS OF SERVANTS, 'N LACKEYS...
LIKE THE SONG "OLD BLACK JOE," WOULDN'T CHA KNOW!
YOU'LL STRUT AROUND THE MANSION, GOING, "MASTER, WOULD YOU CARE FOR A MINT JULEP?" OR SOME SHIT.
WE ONLY HAVE ONE ATTENDANT AROUND OUR HOUSE.
REVY, GIVE IT A REST!!
BUT...
HER NAME IS ROBERTA AND SHE'S A MAID.
ALTHOUGH SHE'S OUR MAID, SHE'S NOT GOOD AT COOKING OR CLEANING.

IF YOU TOOK ON ROBERTA...
...YOU WOULDN'T STAND A CHANCE!
PFFFT
...UH...
HAVE YOU ACTUALLY SEEN HER FIGHT SOMEONE, GARCIA?
BWA HA HA HA
SNORT
...I'D BELIEVE YOU IF YOU TOLD ME JESUS HIMSELF WAS ON A CHOPPER ROARING DOWN ROUTE 66!!
SHIT, IF SHE KICKS THAT MUCH ASS...
BAM BAM
HAH HAH HAH
BWA-HAHAH AHA! I GIVE YOU SHIT AND THAT'S WHAT YOU HAVE TO SAY?!
WHAT'S SHE GONNA DO? TOSS TEA SETS AT ME?
YEE HEE HAR HAR HAR
HA HA HA
NO...
BUT THERE WAS THIS TIME...


TINK
HEY CHICA...
YOU AND I NEED TO TALK.
ROBERTA WOULD ARM WRESTLE ME FOR FUN ALL THE TIME.
AND ROBERTA WOULD ALWAYS LOSE.
BW
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WORD ON THE STREET...
...IS THAT SOME CRAZY BITCH IN A BIZARRE MAID OUTFIT'S ASKING AROUND ABOUT US COLOMBIANS.
SO THE WHOLE GANG CAME TO GREET YOU IN PERSON.

ONE DAY...
ROBERTA AND I WERE ARM WRESTLING AGAIN.
I DIDN'T KNOW IT AT THE TIME...
BUT SOME GANGSTERS CAME BY, WANTING TO MAKE TROUBLE.
YOU ONLY SEE A CRAZY OUTFIT LIKE THAT ON MASTERPIECE THEATER OR SOMETHIN'.
WALK AROUND IN A GET-UP LIKE THAT IN THIS TOWN, PEOPLE'LL NOTICE...
WHAT'S YOUR GAME? WHAT ARE YOU UP TO?
I ONLY FOUND OUT ABOUT THIS LATER...
...BUT ROBERTA WAS THE ONLY ONE THAT NOTICED THEM.
THE MOMENT SHE FOUND OUT ABOUT THEM, SHE WENT STIFF.
I TRIED TO FORCE HER ARM BACK WITH MY USUAL STRENGTH, BUT HER ARM WAS LIKE STEEL.
KCHK
THAT'S WHEN I REALIZED...
...ROBERTA WAS LOSING ON PURPOSE.
THERE WAS SOME REASON SHE WAS PRETENDING TO BE A FRAIL MAID.

THP
...AS IT SO HAPPENS, IT WAS MY INTENT TO BE EASILY LOCATED.
YOU ARE AFFILIATED WITH THE MANISALERA CARTEL, I ASSUME?
I AM A SERVANT IN THE EMPLOY OF THE LOVELACE FAMILY.
THMM
...AS MY ACTIONS MIGHT BE CONSIDERED IMPOLITE.
...BUT YOU MUST EXCUSE ME...
THERE ARE CERTAIN MATTERS THAT I MUST ASK YOU ABOUT...
...LEAVING ME STRUGGLING TO MAINTAIN PROPER DECORUM.
YOU MUST FORGIVE ME.
JUST NOW...
...A CERTAIN UPSETTING INCIDENT TRANSPIRED...

HA HA
HA
HA
HA
BITCH SAYS SHE MIGHT HAVE TO GET "IMPOLITE" ON US!
NOW, THAT'S A LAUGH!
SO, WHATCHA GONNA TO DO, CHICA?!
...
HEHEH...
WILL YOU GET A LOAD OF THIS!
KCHK
VERY WELL...
BON APPÉTIT.

DM

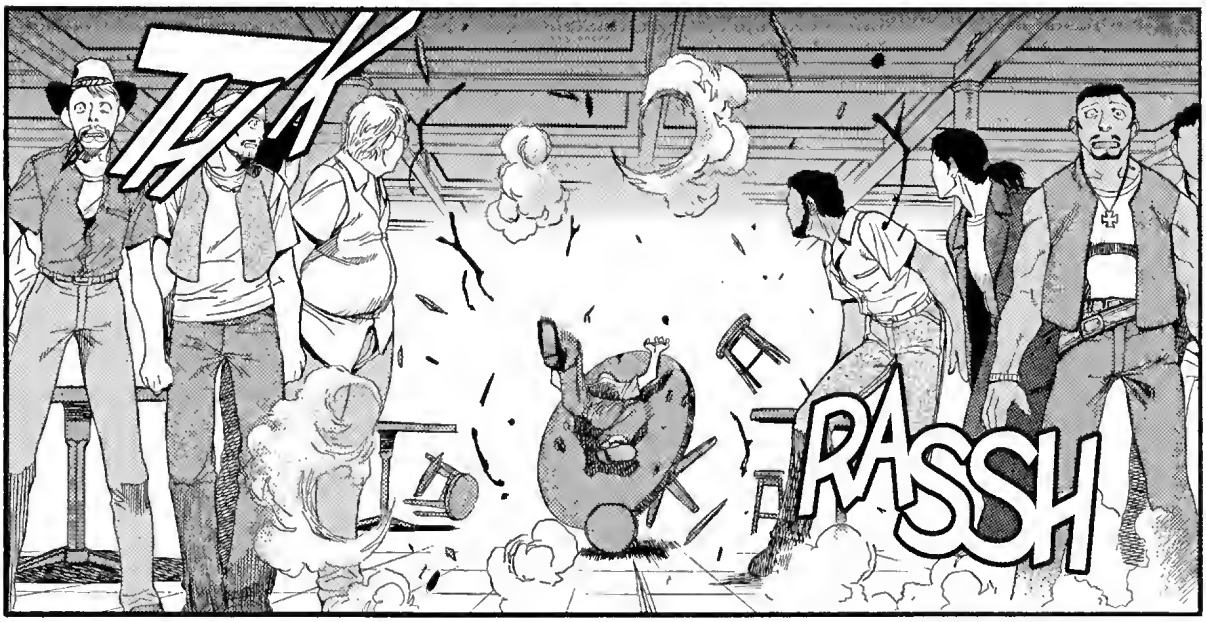
BANG
THAT'S...
RO...
?
25

WHOOOSH
WHAA
THAT'S ROBERTA...
AAT?!

FLIPP
CAPTAIN...
HERE IS THE REPORT ON THE LOVELACE FAMILY.
AN ARISTOCRATIC HOUSEHOLD THAT'S FALLEN ON HARD TIMES. THE WIFE PASSED AWAY FOUR YEARS AGO.
THE PHOTOGRAPH SHOWS DIEGO, THE FAMILY HEAD-AND GARCIA, HIS ONLY SON-AND THEIR ONLY SERVANT.
...
I DON'T LIKE HER EYES, BORIS...
THEY SPELL TROUBLE...

COMRADE SERGEANT ...
TAKE A LOOK.
NOTICE ANYTHING?
...
SHE'S A SOLDAT.*
CORRECT, SERGEANT. BUT IT'S WORSE THAN THAT.
*SOLDIER
WHOOSH
MUCH WORSE...
SHE'S A GENUINE MAD DOG.

Chapter 3: Rasta Blasta - Part II



THMP
YOU FUCKING BITCH!!
CH-CH
YOU...
AK
CHK-CHK
KCHIK

F WH
THD
K-SHAK
SHE GETS NO MERCY, COMPRENDE ?!
WASTE THE BITCH!!
CHK-CHK
K-SHAK
YOU ARE MORE THAN WELCOME TO TRY.
BUT I DOUBT YOU CAN.

BANG
BLAM
BLAM
BLAM
KLCHAK
WHOOSH
SHIK
HIKK

FM
WMP!
VPP
VPP

SHIT... WHAT THE HELL?!
KBAM
KBAM
VPP
THP
THP
KBAM
FUCK, THAT UMBRELLA MUST BE MADE OF KEVLAR!!
COME OOOOON!

BOOM
BOOM
BLAM
BOSS, THIS AIN'T GOOD!!
CONTACT ESCOBAR AND...!!
BLAM
BLAM
BLAM
OM
KKOOM

POP
POP
POP
POP
GOOD FOR US THEY'RE AT EACH OTHER'S THROATS.
I SAY WE GET THE HELL OUT OF HERE WHILE WE CAN.
BOOM
BOOM
BK
KBLAM
BLAM
AND GO WHERE?
WE'LL HEAD OUT TO THE COAST OF PHUKET FOR SOME FISHING OR SOMETHING UNTIL THINGS CALM DOWN.
I'M NO GIULIANO GEMMA...I DON'T DIG SHOOTOUTS AS A CHASER FOR MY DRINKS.
BLAM
¡Nieds mataro!
BLAM
BDOOM
KBANG
KRAM

THK
RASH
WELL?
WE GONNA THROW DOWN OR WHAT?
THD
THD
THD
SPLCH
REVY'S GOT A GOOD POINT. LET'S MAKE A DECISION.
AGREED.
BETTER TO AVOID A FIGHT IF WE CAN.
KBL
AM
WE'RE LEAVING THE KID BEHIND.
BUT THE KID'S WORTH MONEY, DUTCH.
I'M NOT WALKING AROUND WITH A LAND MINE AIMED RIGHT AT ME.

HE'S A KID, NOT A PILE OF GOLD.
WE'RE LEAVING HIM, GOT IT?
CLAP
...!
OKAY...
GARCIA, LISTEN.
WHEN THINGS CALM DOWN...
YOU STAY PUT UNTIL ALL THE SHOOTING'S STOPPED.
...YOU AND YOUR MAID HEAD BACK TO VENEZUELA, UNDERSTAND?
DAMN, DAMN, FUCK...!
ROCK!!
...DIDN'T KNOW ROBERTA WAS LIKE THAT...
I...
I DIDN'T...
IT'S NOT LIKE HER TO KILL PEOPLE... SHE'S NOT AT ALL LIKE THAT...!
...

KEEP YOUR HEAD DOWN.
KBANG
TCHK
KBANG
TCHKPKOW
RUN FOR IT ONCE WE GET TO THE DOOR.
KCHKK
KPOP
SHUFFLE
RRR...
REVY, GODDAMMIT, GET YOUR FRIENDS OUT OF-!!
THEY'RE NOT MY FRIENDS, BAO, YOU STUPID FUCK!!
TWITCH
TWITCH

GLIMPSE
FRE
EZE
WHERE'S THE CARGO... THE KID?!
YOU SHOULD'VE SHIPPED HIM OFF BY NOW!!
REVY?!
WHAT THE FUCK ARE YOU DOING HERE?!

YOUNG MASTER ...
RO...
ROBERTA...
TOK
...
...IT IS ONLY NATURAL THAT YOU MIGHT FIND ME FRIGHTENING.
I SHALL EXPLAIN ALL THIS LATER.
I HAVE SOME AFFAIRS I MUST ATTEND TO. PLEASE WAIT A MOMENT.
I NEVER EXPECTED TO FIND YOU HERE, YOUNG MASTER.
MASTER LOVELACE IS EXTREMELY WORRIED ABOUT YOU.
KSHLUNK

KLCHK
AW SHIT...
SHE SAW US...
ROBERTA! WAIT!!
...AND WHO MIGHT THIS BE?
THK!
BACK OFF, MS. HOUSEMAID.
I'M GUESSIN' EVERYONE HERE'D RATHER BE LIVING AND BREATHING THAN SIX FEET UNDER.
YOU'RE NO DIFFERENT, ARE YA?
KCHAK
STOP IT... YOU'RE ACTING LIKE THE BAD GUYS!!
SHUT UP!

NO MORE STUPID FIRE-FIGHTS AND JUNIOR HERE WILL BE JUST FINE.
YOU DON'T WANT HIS BRAINS BLOWN OUT, RIGHT?
...I'M CONSIDER-ING YOUR OFFER.
WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA? QUIT IGNORING ME, YOU FUCKS!
I AIN'T DONE WITH YOU YET! YOU GOT IT?!
WHHUP
KBLAM
I'M AFRAID I CAN'T ABIDE BY YOUR WISHES.
TONK
THE YOUNG MASTER WILL RETURN HOME IN GOOD HEALTH.
HOWEVER, I INTEND TO CARRY OUT MY DUTIES AS STIPULATED BY THE LOVELACE FAMILY CREED.
KOOM

PARA LOS QUE VIVEN, BENDICIONES.
(TO THE LIVING, BESTOW UPON THEM CHARITY.)
PARA LOS MUERTOS, UN LECHO DE FLORES.
(TO THE DEAD, LAY UPON THEM FLOWERS.)
CON ESTA ESPADA IMPARTIRÉ JUSTICIA...
(TO EXECUTE JUSTICE, I TAKE UP THIS SWORD...)
KCHK
GOLPEANDO CON FUERZA A LOS VILLANOS PARA MATARLOS EN CASTIGO.
(TO SMITE UPON VILE ROGUES AND DELIVER DEATH AS PUNISHMENT.)
KLAK!
DÉJANOS LLEGAR...
(THUS LET US ARRIVE...)
...AL ALTAR DE LOS SANTOS.
(...AT THE ALTAR OF SAINTS.)

KL
FOR I VOW UPON THE NAME OF SANTA MARIA...
CHIK
...TO STRIKE DOWN UPON ANY AND ALL UN-RIGHTEOUSNESS.
CHIK

BLAM
KRAM
DOOM

* ONE OF THE MOST INTENSE BATTLES WAGED IN THE VIETNAM WAR.

BU
BHO
OOM
B
KOOM
LET'S GO!!
RUN!
RR
RUU
AAR

GRAB!
20
...TAKE ME WITH YOU.
YOUNG MASTER!!

* THE BLOODHOUND OF FLORENCIA

K-CHIK CHIKK
AHAHA HAHA!
I JUST HIT THE JACK-POT!!
AFTER I BRING 'EM YOUR HEAD ON A PLATE, THEY'LL MAKE ME BONA-FIDE MEDELLÍN LIEUTENANT!!
THE CARTEL'S PUT A 4-MILLION-DOLLAR BOUNTY ON YOUR HEAD.
"DEAD OR ALIVE" NO LESS.
PROBABLY DID ALL SORTS OF NASTY SHIT FOR THEM. MEANS THEY DON'T WANT YOU TALKIN', RIGHT?
FLAP
IT SEEMS...
...I NO LONGER HAVE A REASON TO LET YOU LIVE.
I REGRET WE MUST PART COMPANY.
BUT PLEASE ACCEPT MY FAREWELL GIFT...
THK

KTHOK THOK
TONK TONK
I NOW BID YOU...
...GOOD DAY.
KLNK
KLNK
KLNK
RLL
RLL
RLL
RLL
RU-!!

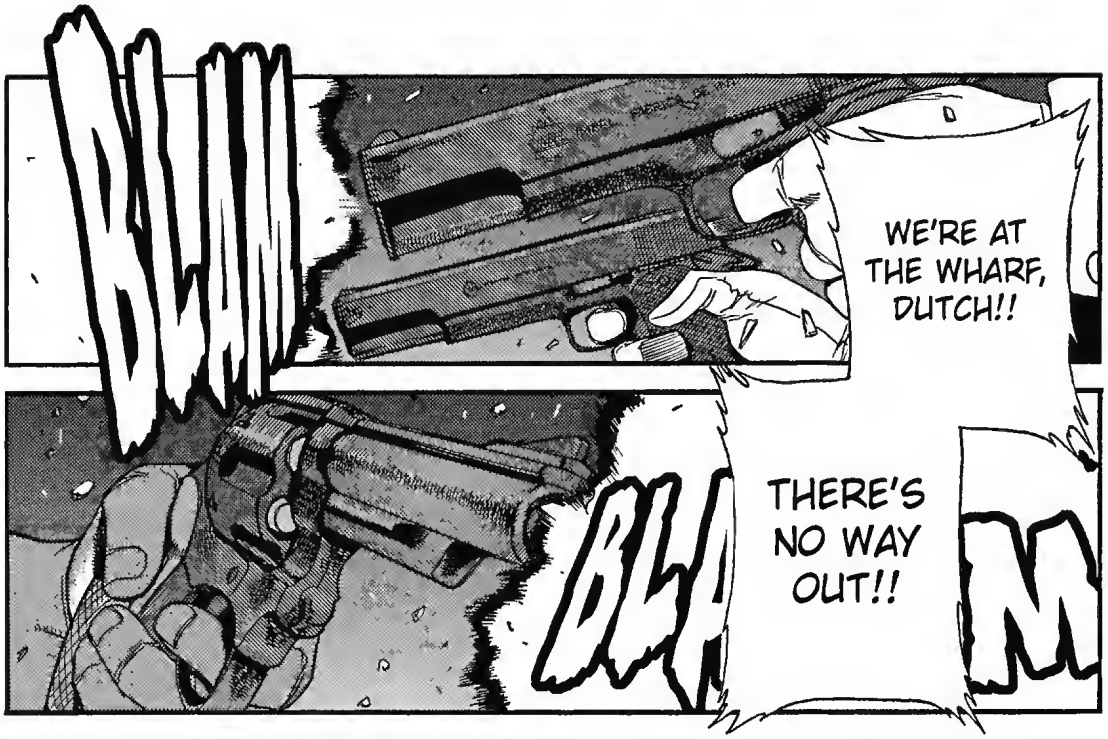
BOOOOM
WHO
OOM
NOW'S OUR CHANCE! LET'S GO!!
FW
OH
...I DON'T BELIEVE IT.
THIS CAN'T BE FOR REAL.
ZRRT

WHOOOOO
WELL I DO...
IT MUST BE A KILLING MACHINE FROM THE FUTURE.
BUT IT'S NOT SCHWARZENEGGER!
...
VERY FUNNY, ROCK. I'M NOT LAUGHING.
ZKRR
KRKRKRK
DA
SH
WHSSK

SCAMPER
HUFF
RR R
RRMM
HP
THP
CH
WH
RRR
RSH

BANG
KRKK
ROCK, STAY DOWN!!
VSHAKK
KABAM
BANG
HAK!

BLAM
BLAM
BLAM
AAAAAAGH!
BANG
BANG
BANG
BANG
VRR
RR
ROANAPUR PORT
DUTCH, WE'RE AT THE WHARF!
THK
DEAD END!! WHAT DO WE DO?!
ASSH



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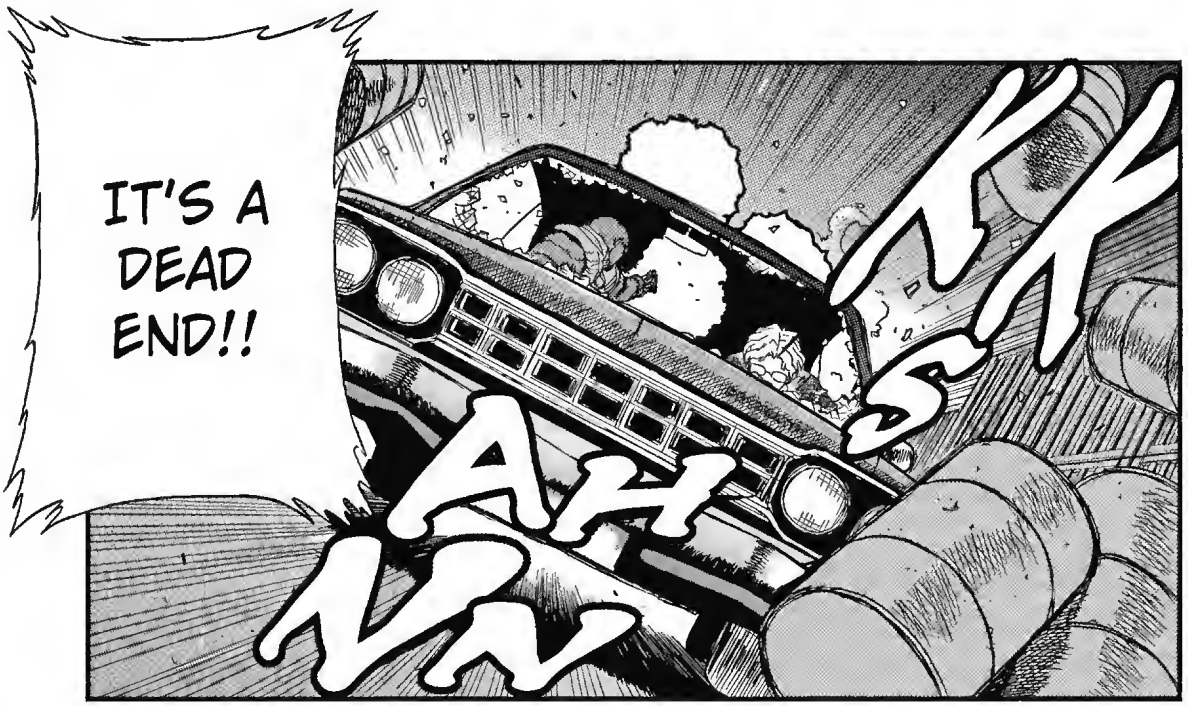

CRNCH
OH...
...SHIIIT!!
KRE
EEEEE
CH
PIP

ROGER...
WHAT SHOULD I TELL BAO?
KTHK
JUST GOT A REPORT ON A PLYMOUTH GOING DOWN MAIN STREET HEADED FOR THE PORT TEN MINUTES AGO.
THD
KLIK
WHAT'S THE SITUATION?
TELL HIM NOT TO WORRY.
I WILL LEAD A UNIT TO THE PORT. CONTINUE SIT-REP EVERY TEN MINUTES.
SECURE THE AREA, CORPORAL. CONTINUE GATHERING INTELLIGENCE.
THD
THE YELLOW FLAG IS HALF-DEMOLISHED.
KLAK
THE HOUND AND THE CREW OF THE LAGOON ARE MISSING.
KTHO
YES SIR. OVER AND OUT.
THO KTHO
THO KTHO
THAT IS ALL.
THO
I CAN'T SAY.
BUT IT NEVER HURTS TO BE CAREFUL.
CAPTAIN...
WILL THIS BE A PROPER FIGHT? IT'S BEEN A WHILE... PLAYING MAFIA TENDS TO MAKE US LAZY AND SLOW.

WE CANNOT STAND IDLY BY.
WELL AT LEAST WE OWE DUTCH A GREAT DEBT.
WE OWE THE LAGOON TRADERS...
FORWARD, COMRADE SOLDIERS...
COCK THE HAMMER... IT'S TIME FOR ACTION!
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I THINK WE'RE ALL RIGHT BACK HERE.
WHAT ABOUT REVY?
...STILL UNCON-SCIOUS. HOW ARE YOU GUYS?
...
...IT'S ALMOST ENOUGH TO MAKE ME GET RELIGIOUS.
IF YOU'RE ALIVE, SOUND OFF.
HISSSSSSSSSS

...OH. MY. GOD...
ZZ
R
K
BWH
WHAT THE HELL IS SHE MADE OF?
OOM
TWITCH

AAAAAAAAAAA!!
VOOMP
THIS FUCKING HURTS LIKE HELL!! I'M GONNA KILL THAT FUCKING BITCH!!
FUCK!
FUCK!
YOU'RE IN LUCK.
STILL ALIVE AND KICKING.
WHERE IS THAT GODDAMNED SKANK!! WELL?! WELL?!!
IS SHE DEAD? IS SHE STILL ALIVE?! WELL?!
THK

THOU
ME?
KCHKK
ROCK...
RIGHT NOW MY NEEDLE'S A HAIR SHORT OF THE RED ZONE.
ONCE IT'S THERE, YOU WON'T GET A FUCKING WARNING BEFORE I DRILL YOU ANOTHER ASSHOLE.
YOU GOT IT, RIGHT?! YEAH...SURE YOU DO...
RATTLE
RATTLE
RATTLE
REVY, WAIT...!
THAT PIECE SHE TOOK OUTTA ME...
...IS GONNA COST HER BIG TIME...
SHE'S GOING TO PAY LIKE YOU CAN'T IMAGINE, ROCK...
KCHKK
SHE'S ABOUT TO FIND OUT...
...JUST HOW DEARLY IT'S GOING TO COST HER.

SHOO
W
R
O
O
SHHH
GO AHEAD, SEÑORITA. DRAW.
WHAT'S WRONG? YOU GOT THE SHAKES?

SMIRK
...TO BE AFRAID.
MY DEAR, YOU MUSTN'T FEEL ASHAMED...
SNAP
BANG
BLAM
BLAM
BLAM

BLAM
BLAM
BLAM
KBAM
KBAM
KBAM
KBAM
WHOOD
KACHAK!

остановитесь!
(HALT!)
FLASH
THERE'S NO GAIN TO BE MADE FROM THIS.
COME NOW, DON'T YOU THINK IT'S TIME...
...YOU TWO GAVE IT A REST.

KLA CH AK
KLAK
I HAVE SOME GOOD NEWS FOR YOU, MS. CHAMBERMAID ...
HOTEL MOSCOW PLANNED ALL ALONG TO WAGE WAR AGAINST THE MANISALERA CARTEL.
MY JOB WAS TO NEUTRALIZE THEIR THAI OPERATION... BUT YOU'VE SAVED ME THE TROUBLE.
KLAK
...SHOULD BE IN THE PROCESS OF BEING CRUSHED.
RIGHT ABOUT NOW, THE HEAD-QUARTERS OF THE CARTEL IN VENEZUELA...
CHRIST, IT'S LIKE BEING AT GROUND ZERO IN NEVADA.
WE'VE GOT THE THREE MOST FEARSOME WOMEN IN THE WORLD HERE.
THERE'S NO REASON WHY YOU TWO SHOULD FIGHT.
SO, EVERY-THING HAS WORKED OUT.
THE ABDUCTION OF YOUR BELOVED GARCIA IS A MOOT POINT.

MY SENTI-MENTS EXACTLY.
I COULDN'T FUCKING CARE LESS.
BRA
ATATAT
TA
OH DEAR. WELL...
KLNK
THIS ISN'T A REQUEST. IT'S AN ORDER.
PERHAPS I DIDN'T MAKE MYSELF CLEAR.
KLNK
KLNK
KCHUNK
HEY...
WAIT, GARCIA!

THAP
...ROBERTA.
IT'S OKAY, ROBERTA.
SEE? I'M FINE. SO, PLEASE... CAN WE GO HOME?
I... I DON'T WANT TO...
...SEE YOU WAVING GUNS AROUND LIKE THAT.
I WONDER HOW "THE BLOOD-HOUND" FEELS ABOUT IT?
I AGREE, MY DEAR.
BUT...

OH...
"THE BLOOD-HOUND?"
MY DEAR, YOU DIDN'T KNOW? WE HAVE HERE-
DO NOT SAY ANOTHER WORD!!
KLIK
SILENCE...
...'HOUND.
THIS IS NO ORDINARY SERVANT.
SHE'S ROSARITA TISNEROS, THE "BLOODHOUND OF FLORENCIA..."
...FORMER FARC GUERRILLA TRAINED IN ASSASSINATION OPS IN CUBA. WANTED INTERNATIONALLY FOR MULTIPLE KIDNAPPING AND MURDER CHARGES.
...EVEN SUSPECTED OF LINKS TO THE U.S. EMBASSY BOMBING AT TEGUCIGALPA. A TRUE, DYED-IN-THE-WOOL TERRORIST.

I...
I NEVER INTENDED TO DECEIVE YOU, YOUNG MASTER.
BUT PLEASE ...
YOU MUST UNDERSTAND... THERE ARE THINGS IN THIS WORLD THAT IT'S BETTER YOU NOT KNOW ABOUT...
IS... THIS...
...TRUE, ROBERTA?
ZAK
EVERYTHING SHE SAID IS TRUE, YOUNG MASTER.
I...
I BELIEVED IN OUR CAUSE... BELIEVED IN THE COMING DAWN OF THE REVOLUTION...
I FOUGHT MANY BATTLES...I KILLED COUNTLESS PEOPLE, ONE AFTER ANOTHER... POLITICIANS, BUSINESS-MEN, COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY FACULTY...WOMEN... EVEN CHILDREN...
BUT AFTER DRENCHING SO MANY NIGHTS WITH BLOOD, I FINALLY REALIZED SOMETHING...
I WAS FAR FROM BEING A REVOLUTIONARY. I WAS NOTHING MORE THAN A GUARD-DOG, BOUND TO GANG-STERS AND THEIR COCAINE FIELDS...

IRONIC, ISN'T IT?
FARC ALLIED THEMSELVES WITH THE CARTELS...
...CLAIMING "ONE CANNOT ACHIEVE A SOCIALIST REVOLUTION BY IDEALISM ALONE."
THEY SOLD THEIR SOULS OUT OF GREED...
I DESERTED THE MILITIA...
THAT WAS WHEN YOUR FATHER WAS KIND ENOUGH TO TAKE ME IN...
YOUNG MASTER, YOUR FATHER, DIEGO GARCIA, WAS A CLOSE FRIEND OF MY LATE FATHER.
YOUNG MASTER ...
...I KNEW OF ONLY ONE WAY I COULD COME TO YOUR RESCUE.
I HAD TO BECOME A SOLDIER WITH A HEART OF STEEL ONCE MORE. TO ONCE AGAIN TAKE UP THE IDENTITY I HAD LONG AGO CAST ASIDE.
TO BE A "BLOOD-HOUND..."
...OR BE A "GUARD DOG"...
AS SOMEONE WHO WAS ONCE SEEN ONLY AS AN OBEDIENT DOG...
...THIS IS THE ONLY WAY I CAN RE-PAY MY DEBT.

YOU'RE...
YOU'RE NOT A DOG!!
YOU'RE PART OF MY FAMILY! WE'RE A FAMILY, ROBERTA, AREN'T WE?!
DON'T SAY THAT ABOUT YOURSELF!!
YOU'RE NOT SOME "BLOODHOUND"!! WHOEVER THAT PERSON WAS, SHE DIED SOMEWHERE ELSE!!
AND SHE MADE AMENDS FOR HER SINS BEFORE SHE DIED!!
THAT'S ...
THAT'S WHY THIS HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH YOU, ROBERTA.
RIGHT?
SO PLEASE... CAN WE GO HOME NOW?
...
MY DEAR YOUNG MASTER ...
A BOY MUSTN'T SHED TEARS SO EASILY...

WELL THEN...
I THINK IT'S SAFE TO SAY THIS HAS ALL BEEN WORKED OUT.
NO OFFENSE, MA'AM, BUT BLOW ME.
YEAH SURE, THESE TWO MIGHT HAVE THEIR FUCKIN' HAPPY ENDING...
BUT...
...WHAT ABOUT THIS NASTY HOLE IN MY SHOULDER... WHO'S GONNA FILL THAT IN?
HOLD ON THERE, MA'AM...
YOU COULD JUST GRIN AND BEAR IT.
SHIT, THAT'S EASY TO FIX.
DUKE IT OUT WITH EACH OTHER UNTIL IT'S SETTLED.
WE GOTTA SETTLE OLD SCORES AND CLEAN THE SLATES.
YOU KNOW THAT'S HOW THINGS WORK IN OUR WORLD.
...WELL I SUPPOSE SO...

BUT NO WEAPONS ...
...THAT'LL SAVE US A TRIP TO THE MORGUE.
KRAK
KPOP
FINE BY ME.
YOUNG MASTER ...?
...DON'T LET THAT NASTY WOMAN DEFEAT YOU, ROBERTA.
I KNOW THAT YOU'RE STRONG WHERE IT COUNTS!
WE ARE AGREED, THEN.
LADIES, KNOCK YOURSELVES OUT. ♬
WHOOOOM

...IT SEEMS YOUR SHOE-LACES...
C'MON...
LET'S GET THIS STARTED.
HUH?
...HAVE COME UNTIED.
IS IT
PA
CK
HAHAHAHAHA
AH, TO BE YOUNG AGAIN...
SAH-WING, BATTER!

GRUNCH
THUD
WHUD
THRAK
THUD
KBOK
THOK
PUNCH
WHOA, WHOA, WHOA! WAIT A MINUTE!
C'MON, STOP THIS!! THIS IS INSANE!!
CRUNCH
WHUD
I GOT $2,500 ON ROBERTA.
HOW 'BOUT YOU, ROCK?
WHAT'S YOUR WAGER?
TWO LARGE, ON REVY.

HURRA
AAGH
AAARGH
THIS IS BARBARIC!! YOU'RE OUT YOUR MINDS!!
YOU CAN'T LET TWO GIRLS GO AT IT LIKE THIS?!
GGGH!
YOU CAN'T STAND TO WATCH THIS, RIGHT?
THEN GO AHEAD AND BREAK IT UP. WE WON'T STOP YOU.
...HUH?
OKAY...
GO STOP THEM.
TUG
THUD
THUMP
THOK
GRUNCH
WHY DON'T YOU WATCH THE SUNRISE TOGETHER AND PRAISE EACH OTHER'S ABILITIES OR...
SO...
UMM...
C'MON, BOTH OF YOU... DON'T YOU THINK YOU'VE HAD ENOUGH?

PISS OFF!
HUURRRAA!
WHUD
SAW THAT COMING.
O-OKAY...
SORRY!
Huff
Huff
Huff
Huff
Huff
W...
WHY...
...DON'T YOU...GO FIRST...
HAH...
HAH...
GIVE...
...UP ALREADY... FUCKING... FOUR-EYES.

B
O
OOF.
N
K
URGH.
...IT'S A DRAW.
THU
MP
OKAY...
...PLEASE FORGIVE... ME...
UH...
Y...YOUNG MASTER...
...ROBERTA ?!
DASH
YOU HAVE NOTHING TO BE ASHAMED OF.
DON'T TALK.
YOU WERE THE LAST ONE STANDING, ROBERTA.
ROBERTA, PLEASE, DON'T.
...LET ME... APOLOGIZE...
HERE, HOLD ON TO ME.
CAN YOU STAND UP?

I'M TAKING HER HOME WITH ME, NO MATTER WHAT.
ROBERTA'S MY MAID.
I CAN TAKE CARE OF HER MYSELF.
HEY THERE...
NEED A HAND KIDDO?
YES, SIR.
COMRADE SERGEANT...
AH, THE NEXT HEAD OF THE FAMILY DOES NOT DISAPPOINT. ♬
PLEASE, FOLLOW ME.
ROGER.
IF ANY REMAINING CARTEL MEMBERS INTERFERE, YOU MAY RETALIATE AS YOU SEE FIT.
SEE TO HER INJURIES, AND THEN ESCORT THEM TO THE AIRPORT.
WHY?
THEY'RE ONLY FOR SHOW, RIGHT? YOUR EYESIGHT IS PERFECT.
WHAT IS IT?
MY GLASSES... COULD YOU RECOVER THEM FOR ME...?
...YOUNG MASTER...
IF I MAY TROUBLE YOU WITH SOMETHING...

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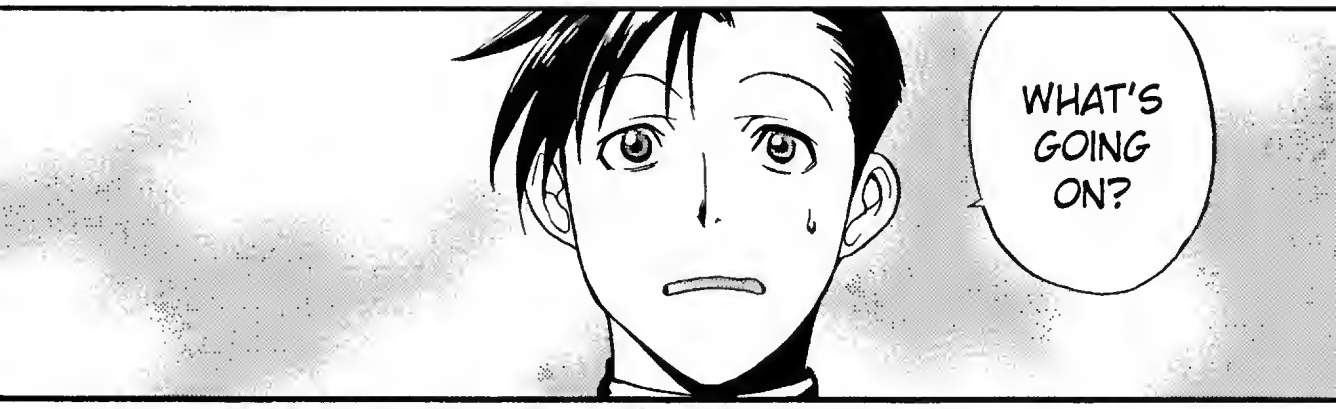

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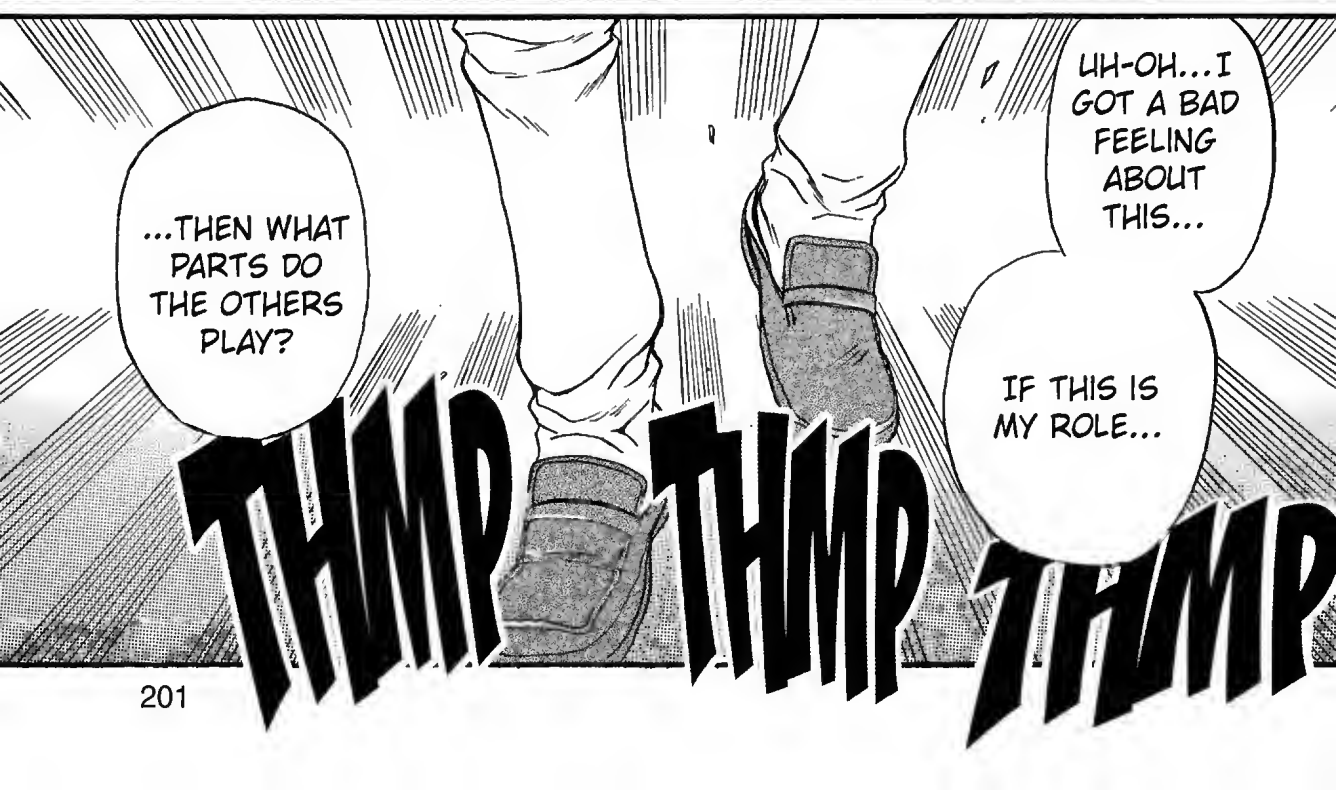
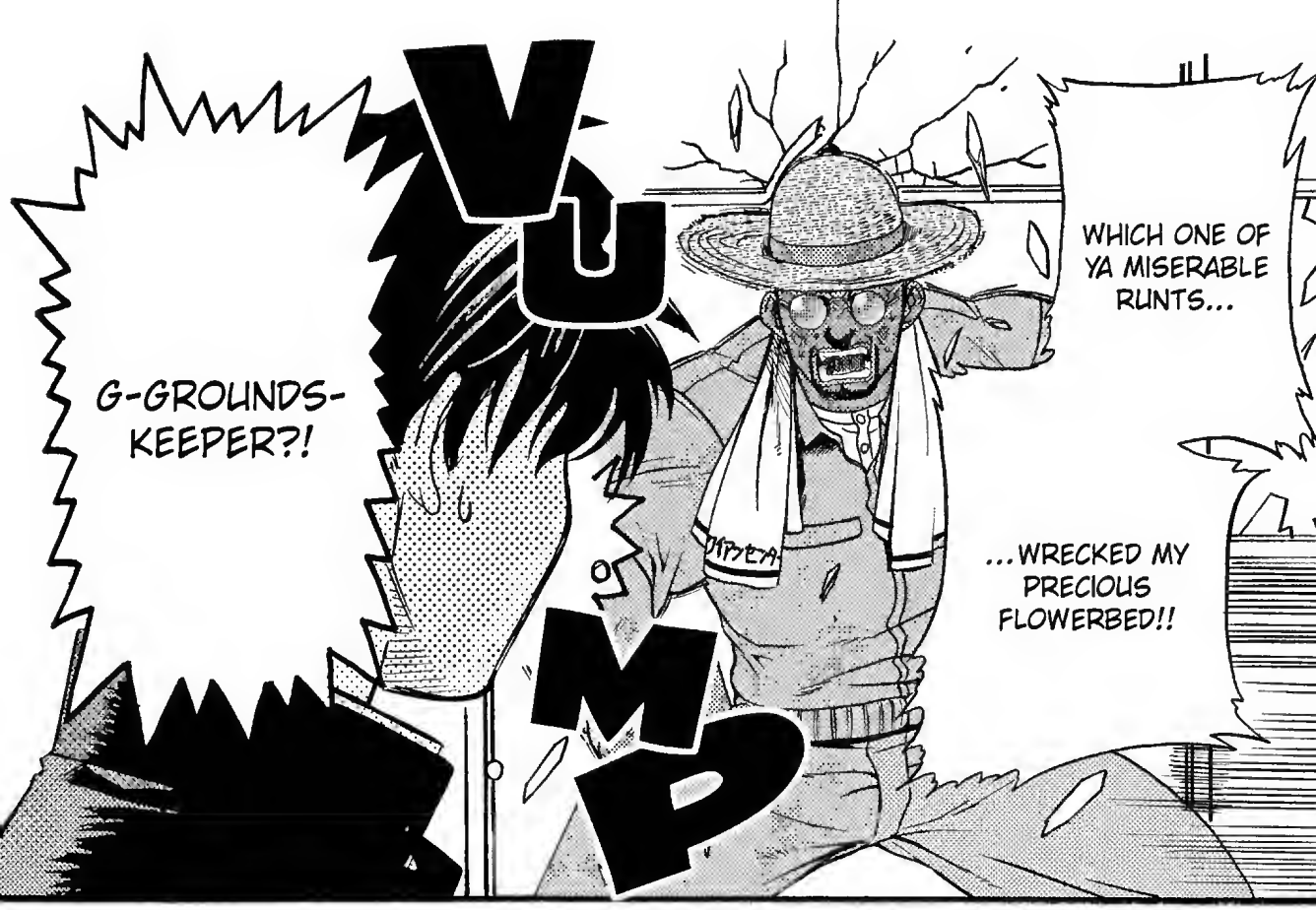
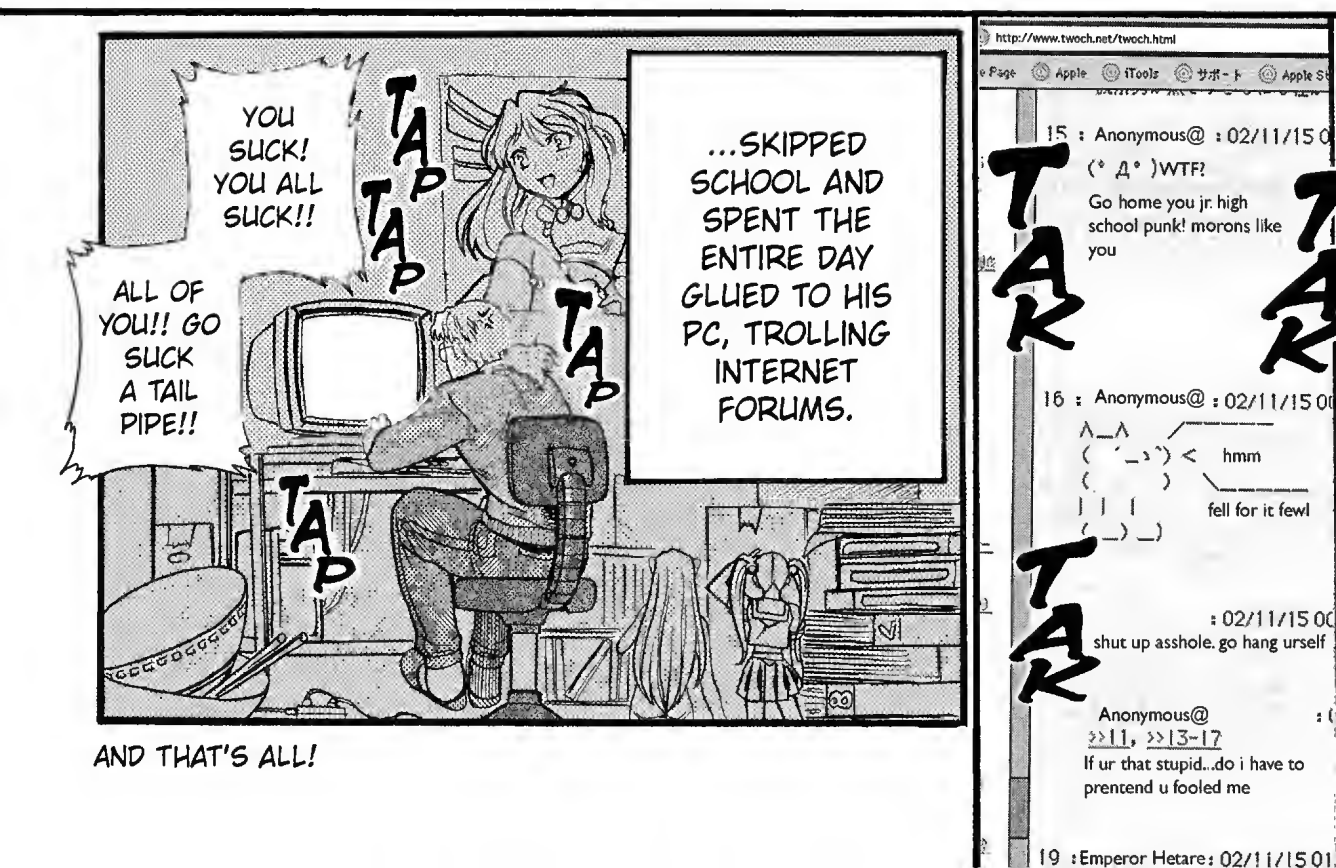


KABOOM
SLAUGHTERIN' FISH 'N FOWL WHEREVER HE GOES!!
HEDRA, BORN FROM HELLACIOUS SLUDGE!!
...
ZZZSHING
HEY, HOW ARE YA!
DID'JA GET BREAK-FAST YET?
LOOKS LIKE AT LEAST SHE'S TURNED OUT NOR-...
OH SO
LOVELY
YES, THERE IS A GOD!!
GOOD MORNING, MR. OKAJIMA...
ISN'T THIS WEATHER WONDER-FUL?
TWIRL
KCHAK
TWIRL
KCHAK
YOU LOOK WELL AS ALWAYS.

KLING
KLONNG
KLAAANG*
*JAPANESE SCHOOL BELL
PARK YOUR BUTTS BEFORE I COUNT TO THREE.
AW' RIGHT... ATTENDANCE TIME.
Yeah, baby!
WHAT PART IS HE GOING TO GET?
BUT WHAT ABOUT DUTCH?
THUT-THUT-THUT
HEEEY!
KLAKKLAK!!
WHAT'RE YOU LOOKING AT, OKAJIMA?
You wanna die?
C'mon...
N-NOTHING ...
I'M JUST GLAD IT'S- HOWEVER STRANGELY- APPROPRIATE.



MEANWHILE MR. BENNY...



AND THAT'S ALL!

THE WONDROUSLY CAPTIVATING ROBERTA
BY REI HIROE, 3RD GRADE, MS. BASINGER.

CLOSING WORDS

BOY, IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE I LAST GOT A COMPILATION OUT. AND IT LOOKS LIKE I'LL BE ABLE TO HAVE ANOTHER ONE PUBLISHED TOO. I'M JUST GLAD IT SEEMS THINGS'LL WORK OUT FOR A WHILE. I HAVE TO ADMIT I'M RUNNING AROUND BLIND TO SOME DEGREE, BUT HOPEFULLY YOU'LL LIKE WHAT YOU SEE AND YOU'LL STICK WITH ME FOR A WHILE.

I'D LIKE TO EXPRESS MY APPRECIATION TO THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:

I'D LIKE TO THANK MY MAIN ASSISTANCE STAFFERS: B-RIVER, MR. ITAKO, AND KAERU KOGANEI.

MY CREW AND BRAINSTORMING FRIENDS: GRAND MASTER MO'CHII, J-SAIRŌ, B1H, AND REIJI SAITŌ.

COOPERATION REGARDING FOREIGN LANGUAGE ISSUES BY: TOSHIRO ISHIYAMA, YŌSUKE FROM SPAIN, AND DAN KANEMITSU.

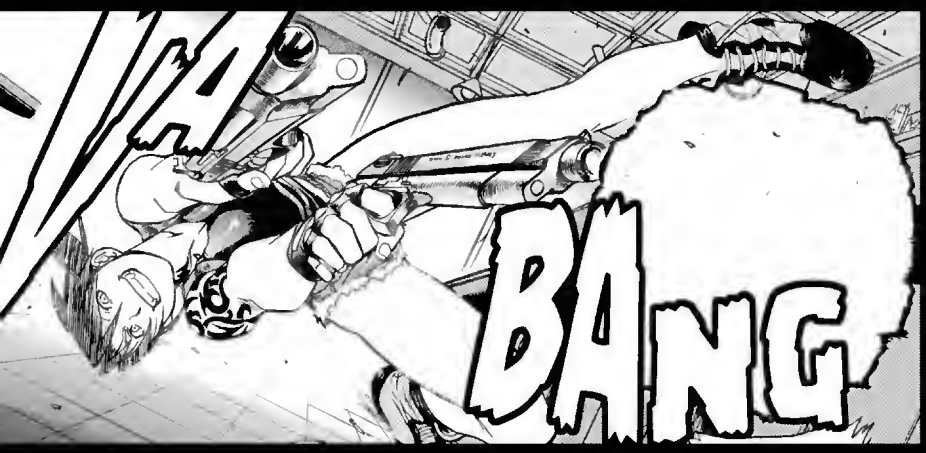
PLEASE STICK WITH ME IN THE FUTURE, OKAY? I'M BEGGING YOU. LET'S GO OUT AND DRINK AND STUFF.

I'D LIKE TO EXPRESS MY SPECIAL THANKS TO THE REGULARS THAT DROP BY THE BULLETIN BOARD ON MY WEB PAGE AND ALL THOSE KIND PEOPLE WHO SENT IN THE QUESTIONNAIRES INCLUDED IN THE MAGAZINE I WRITE FOR.

ALSO, TO MY COMRADE IN ARMS, WAR BUDDIES OF STEEL-THE SHINJUKU WAKŌ GANG, ESPECIALLY ENZU AND GASHIGE.

LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL IN VOLUME 2.

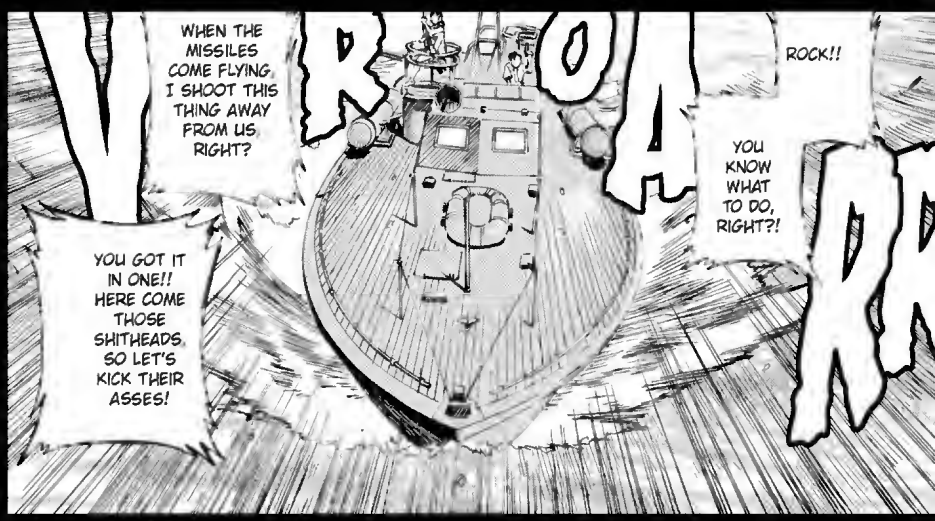
--REI HIROE,
NOVEMBER 15TH, 2002.



Revy "Two Hand"

Revy's two-gun style echoes the on-screen combat choreography (sometimes called the "bullet ballet") made famous in movies by John Woo. In real life, using two guns like this is highly impractical since it is virtually impossible to actually hit anything, especially if the target and the shooter are moving, and it's also difficult to reload. Of course, it looks totally *badass* on film, and in Rei Hiroe's stunning action-manga *Black Lagoon*!

Regarding the spelling of Revy's *nom de guerre*, it is indeed "Two Hand," not "Two Hands." This is a reference to a character from the hard-boiled crime novel *Run*, by Douglas E. Winter (which is a great read by the way).



The Black Lagoon

The *Black Lagoon* is a modified 80-foot Elco PT boat. First built for service in the U.S. Navy in World War II, the Elco PT boats were powered by three 1500 horsepower Packard Marine engines and could reach speeds of nearly 50 knots. PT boats were considered expendable (along with their crews) when used to attack more powerful warships. During WWII, they often served as couriers, scouts, and as transport for special reconnaissance teams inserted behind enemy lines. President John F. Kennedy was the skipper of one of these souped-up cabin cruisers, the famous PT-109.

In addition to the four torpedoes carried in tubes on deck, PT boats were armed with machine guns, anti-aircraft guns and depth charges—basically the crews bolted on whatever extra weaponry they could scrounge up! Dutch has removed all the original armament except the torpedoes (which get used very effectively and imaginatively in volume 1), but who needs all that when you've got Revy?!